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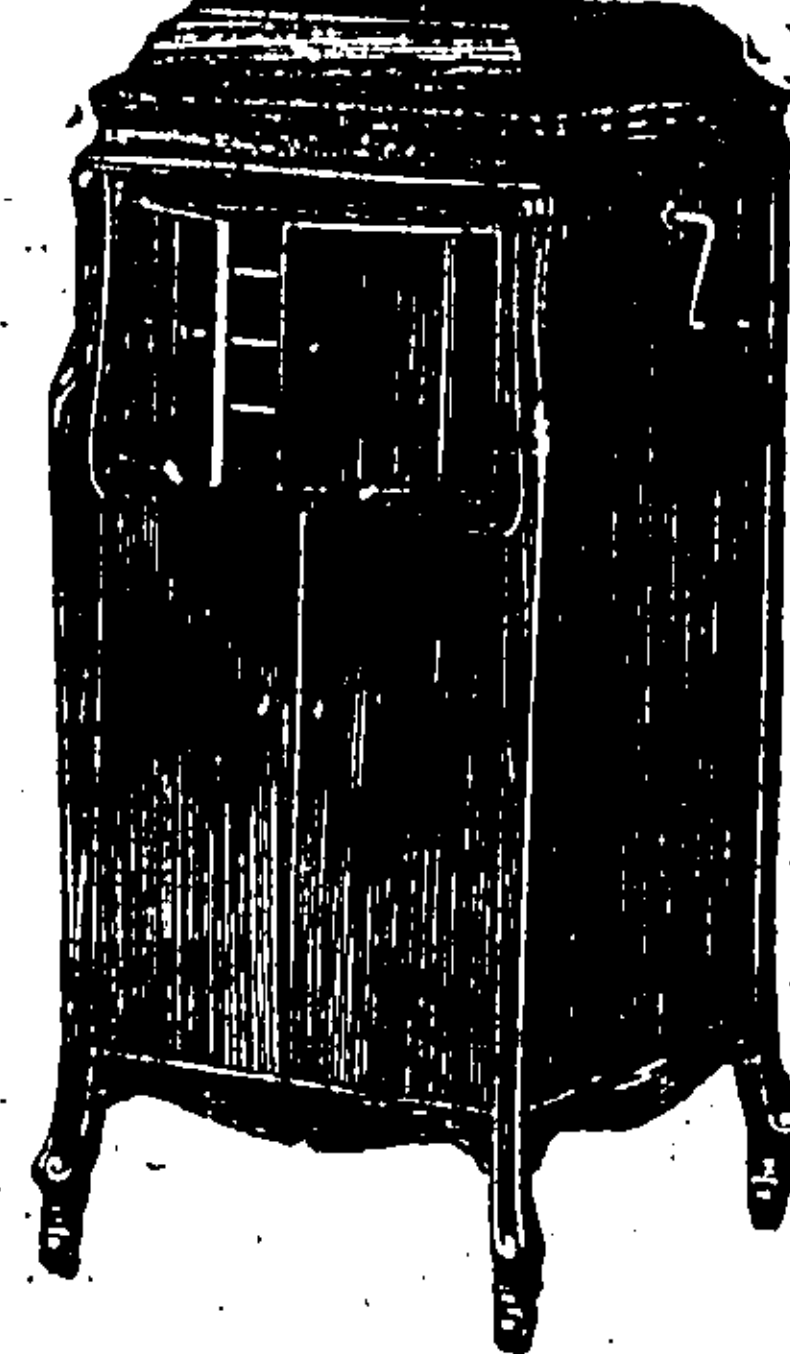
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FRANCE'S REPLY.
ARGUMENT FOR ARGUMENT.
PARALLEL COLUMNS.
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

PARIS, August 17.
The Journal des Debats says that the first portion of the French reply to the British note reproduces the British text and the French observations thereon in parallel columns.

The paper hopes that this detailed discussion, which London initiated, will not divert attention from the remainder of the reply in which M. Poincaré sets out his views.

MEANWHILE.
AIX LA CHAPPELLE, August 17.
Further eight persons were killed and 50 injured in Communist disturbances which are continuing.

Fifteen of the persons earlier reported injured have died.

Two hundred civilians have been authorised to reinforce the police at Aislauf.

THE TELL TALE.
LONDON, August 17.
Foreign exchanges are rather erratic. French francs closed at 83.65 and Belgian at 103.90. Marks are quoted about seventeen millions.

LABOUR TROUBLES.
STETTIN, August 17.
The shipyard workers have resumed work. The dockers' strike continues.

AFTER 15 YEARS.
NOTED AUTHOR'S INCOGNITO LIFE.
INTIMATES DECEIVED.
LONDON, August 17.
The Daily Express reports that the death of Major Esterhazy, the author of the famous bordereau in the Dreyfus case in 1894. His burial on May 21, under the assumed name of Count de Voilemont, has only just been revealed.

LATER.
It appears that Major Esterhazy died at Harpenden aged 74 years. He had lived there 15 years as a country gentleman with his wife and two servants. He was continually engaged in literary work, frequently contributing to Continental journals. His identity was not suspected even by intimate friends.

SANITY AGAIN.
WASHINGTON TREATY EFFECTIVE.
PROMPT BENEFITS.
WASHINGTON, August 17.
The naval limitation and four-power treaties negotiated at the Washington Conference were made effective to-day when the representatives of all the signatory Powers assembled and formally exchanged ratifications.

Immediately the ceremony ended, the Naval Department released orders to scrap the American ships condemned under the treaty whereby 28 ships, with a tonnage of three quarters of a million, will be demolished.

DASHED TO DEATH.
PYRENEES DISASTER.
THE HAGUE, August 17.
The charabanc victims at Tarbes were not pilgrims but members of a co-operative Dutch travelling society, mostly young unmarried people headed by the editor of a weekly paper, The Protestant.

[Twenty-three Dutch subjects after visiting Lourdes were killed at Saint Sauveur in the Pyrenees, through a charabanc falling into a ravine. The accident was caused by the driver trying to avoid a woman in the road.]

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.
UNDERGROUND TANK DISASTER.
WHOLE CITY SHAKEN.
SAN PEDRO, CALIFORNIA, August 17.
An underground tank with a capacity of 500,000 barrels, owned by the General Petroleum Company, exploded owing to spontaneous combustion, shaking the entire city. The loss is estimated at hundreds of thousands of dollars.

TOO ILL FOR JAIL.
AGITATOR RELEASED.
LAHORE, August 17.
Lajpat Rai who was imprisoned for participation in Gandhi's non-cooperation campaign has been released on the ground of illness. He is believed to be suffering from tuberculosis.

STEAMER DISPUTE.
GERMANY MUST PAY DAMAGES.
KIEL CANAL BAN.
(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE HAGUE, August 17.
The Court of International Justice has decided that Germany was not justified in preventing the "Wimbledon" entering the Kiel Canal and should therefore pay compensation.

M. Ladevant for France, opening the case against Germany demanded an indemnity of 176,000 francs plus six per cent interest.

British, Italian and Japanese representatives made statements for the prosecution. They contended that Germany's action was contrary to the peace treaty.

Herr Schiffer for Germany declared that his implication in the Russo-Polish war would have held serious internal dangers for Germany. He expressed the opinion that the provisions of the treaty in this regard should be interpreted in the spirit instead of the letter.

[The German Government refused passage for the steamer "Wimbledon" through the Kiel Canal in 1921, and France claimed damages against Germany under the Versailles Treaty. Germany alleged that the ship was proceeding to Danzig with a cargo of 4,000 tons of war material for Poland which was then warring against Russia.]

LATER.
The Court fixed compensation at 141,000 francs to be paid to France within three months.

COUNTY CRICKET.
YORKSHIRE RECEIVE CHECK.
SURREY'S BIG SCORE.
LONDON, August 17.
Lancashire, at Southend, defeated Essex by nine wickets. Hallows for Lancashire, completed 179 not out and O'Connor 93 for Essex, both in their first innings.

At Hastings Surrey led Sussex on the first innings. Surrey's innings was declared at 552 for 8 wickets. Ducat contributing 120, Shepherd 106, P. G. H. Fender 64 and Hobbs 79. Sussex's scores were 164 and 279 for 7.

Somerset defeated Worcestershire by 84 runs at Weston-super-Mare. M. Foster compiled 99 in Worcestershire's first innings.

At Leeds, Hampshire led Yorkshire on the first innings. Mead scored 132 in Hampshire's first innings and Sutcliffe 87 in Yorkshire's second innings. [This is Yorkshire's first defeat on the first innings in the county championship this season.]

At Lord's Nottingham obtained a first innings lead against Middlesex. Hardstaff made 113 in the first Nottingham innings and Hendren scored 142 not out for Middlesex in the second venture.

Kent beat Gloucestershire by ten wickets at Cheltenham. Hardinge (Kent) his up 129 in the first innings.

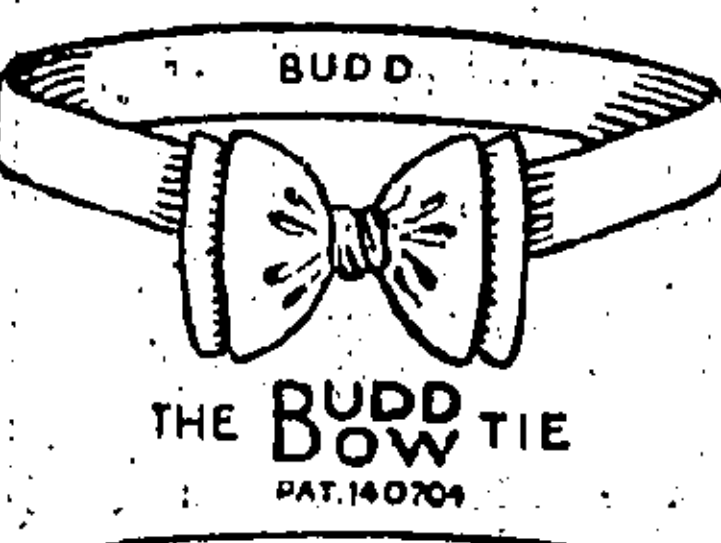
At Leicester, Leicestershire defeated Glamorgan by 109 runs. C. H. Taylor compiled 102 in Leicestershire's second innings.

ELLIS ISLAND.
ALLEGED SCANDALOUS CONDITIONS.
IMMIGRANTS BLAMED.
WASHINGTON, August 17.
Mr. Davis, Secretary of Labour, declares that immigrants themselves are responsible for conditions at Ellis Island disclosed in Sir Auckland Geddes' report. Mr. Davis asserts that the remedy for the congestion lies in the control of immigration at the source. Mr. Curran, the Immigration Commissioner at Ellis Island, insists that conditions have improved since Sir Auckland Geddes investigated them. Mr. Wallis, former Commissioner, strongly supports the charges in the Geddes report.

HARD TUSSLE.
DAVIS CUP TENNIS FINAL.
AUSTRALIA'S VICTORY.
BOSTON, August 18.
In the Davis Cup Doubles Australia beat France 6-8, 6-3, 6-8, 9-7. Australia has thus won the final and will meet America in the challenge round.

LATER.
Hawkes and Anderson represented Australia; Lacoste and Brugnon France.

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Wheat Eaters.

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world. Figures issued by the
United States Department of
Agriculture show that Canadians
consume 9.3 bushels per capita
annually. France is second with
7.9, followed by the United King-
dom with 6, Australia 5.5, United
States 5.3, Argentina 5.2, Chile 3.4,
Sweden 2.5, Mexico 1.8, Germany
3.2, British India 0.8, and Japan 0.5.

Prizes and Blanks.

A Mazarin Bible was sold in
London, says the Express, for
£9,500, and other rare editions at
the same sale realised sums which
excite the dreams of avarice. It
happens with increasing frequency
that a picture or a book which has
changed hands quite often for some
trifling sum acquires a vast value
in collectors' eyes, and imagination
at once seizes on the prospect of a
distant fortune by some lucky pur-
chase from a lumber room. Un-
happily such essentially human
hopes are commonly frustrated.

Films on the Pacific.

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pictures on board Atlantic and
Pacific ships of the Canadian
Pacific, the Italian Government has
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interesting collection of scenic
reels of Italy. The producing com-
panies of Italy are fast taking a
lead in perfecting art pictures for
the screen, and in consequence the
presentation from the Government
of Italy makes a valuable addition
to the library of illustration circu-
lated on two oceans by the Cana-
dian Pacific.

The Brighter Side.

The paucity of clergymen and of
ministers of religion generally
may be found (Bishop Wellton
suggests in the "Nineteenth
Century") to be not a wholly un-mitigated evil. It may be hoped
that the decline in the number of
duly ordained or recognised
clergymen and ministers will
facilitate, if it does not necessitate,
the policy of Christian reunion.The several Churches will no longer
be able to enjoy the unfortunate
luxury of maintaining rival
sanctuaries, which cannot all be
filled Sunday after Sunday, and are
sometimes all more or less depleted
of worshippers, but which, if they
could be reduced to such a number
as would satisfy the actual de-
mands for public worship, would
not only save a great deal of money
for the purposes of religious work
at home and abroad, but would
present to the critical world an im-
pressive spectacle of the under-
lying unity among all Christians, at
least of the Reformed Protestant
Churches.

Medical Scandal.

The credulity of the officials at
Marseilles has often been severely
strained in connection with the
claims submitted through the
medical coupon book frauds, but
a negro has just carried boldness
so far in this matter as to introduce
a farcical note into what is un-
doubtedly a very serious case.
Sometime ago an immaculately
dressed young negro, wearing a
monocle, strolled into a local pen-
sion office, and, producing from
his pocket a bundle of medical
coupon books and disability certi-
ficates, claimed 100f on account of
disability pension, handing over
to the officials a paper selected
from his bundle. This represented
the claimant as having lost his
sight and one leg in the war.When questioned by the astonished
clerk, the negro, adjusting his
monocle, solemnly declared that
he was the rightful owner of the
certificate, and waited for his
money. He is waiting for it still
—in prison. He might safely have
presented some of his other certi-
ficates, for, say, tuberculosis, or
something "equally difficult to
diagnose, but blindness and loss of
a leg could hardly have been
expected to pass unnoticed. Some
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of this coloured Beau Brummel, it
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E. BULLOCK, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, August 7, 1923.

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2. In this Ordinance,—
 - (a) "Cash" means any coins or notes current in the Colony.
 - (b) "Sale" includes any transaction in which intoxicating liquor is supplied for any consideration whatsoever, direct or indirect.
3. (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-section (2) of this section, no person shall sell any intoxicating liquor for consumption on or at any licensed premises except for cash.
- (2) Sub-section (1) of this section shall not apply to the following:—
 - (a) any sale by the proprietor of an hotel to a person residing at the hotel;
 - (b) any sale by the proprietor of an hotel of liquor to be consumed in the dining room of the hotel at one of the regular meals of the hotel or of liquor to be consumed in conjunction with any other bona fide meal for which a charge of at least thirty cents can be reasonably made;
 - (c) any sale in accordance with the conditions of his licence by the holder of a restaurant adjunct licence.
4. Where any intoxicating liquor is sold by a servant or employee in contravention of section 3 of this Ordinance the employer, whether a natural person or a body corporate, shall be deemed to be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance unless he proves affirmatively that the sale was against his express orders and without his consent or connivance.
5. Every person to whom any liquor is, to the knowledge of such person, supplied in contravention of this Ordinance shall also be guilty of an offence against this Ordinance.

The co-operation of our Patrons, with a view to assisting us to carry out the provisions of the Liquors Ordinance, is respectfully requested.

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Hongkong, 15th August, 1923.

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MAIL WEEK NEWS. ITEMS FROM FAR AND NEAR

On the ground that it provides a means for spreading infection, the Hampton Wick, Middlesex District Council, is urging that it should be made illegal for makers to change state leaves for new ones.

Trench duplicates belonging to the party of the Right have decided to appoint a committee to execute a proposal to construct a canal across Europe which would unite the Atlantic with the Black Sea at Constantinople.

The Victoria Cross awarded to George Bell Chicken, of the Indian Naval Brigade, for heroism at Saljuce in 1858 and the sword with which he slew four Indian mutineers were sold at Glendinning's and realised £60.

An Army Order states that in future a private soldier of the cavalry of the line will be designated trooper, a private of the Foot Guards guardsmen, a private of a Fusilier regiment fusilier, and of a rifle regiment riflemen.

A report that the former fleet of General Wrangel, the Russian counter-revolutionary, consisting of 20 dilapidated ships lying at Bizerta (Tunis), will be bought by the South-Slavian Government, has created some excitement in Rome.

The skeleton of a cat which disappeared ten years ago has been found under a wall in a hayloft behind a Wimborne (Dorset) inn, with the mummified remains of a rat in its mouth. It is suggested that the cat had choked.

A verdict of suicide whilst of unsound mind was returned at an inquest at Caterham on Miss Georgina Blackman, a young woman of Leyton, Essex, who threw herself from the viaduct (which is 60ft. above the roadway) at Caterham.

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The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, AUG. 18, 1923.

Hongkong to-day suffered one of the
most typhoons in its history. The
details have not yet been reported, but
it is certain that many lives have been
lost. The China Mail takes this first
opportunity of expressing its sympathy
with the bereaved of the communities.

The Bolshevik Way.

Another instance of the manner
in which the Bolsheviks remove
those who refuse to embrace the
tenets of red communism is con-
tained in a message from Peking,
announcing the death of the Female
Buddha, wife of the Living Buddha
at Urga. The unfortunate lady is
said to have succumbed to poison
deliberately administered in her
food by a Bolshevik agent. During
the past two years, the Female
Buddha has played an important
part in Mongolian politics. It was

at her invitation, it will be remem-
bered, that "Mad Baron" Ungern
and his White Guards sought re-
fuge at Urga, an adventure that
ended disastrously for Ungern and
his men and gave the Reds an
excuse for their occupation of Mon-
golia. The Female Buddha enter-
tained for a long time the ambitions
for the independence of Mongolia, but
later abandoned these and weaned
her husband from his espousal of the
Red cause. When she did this the
Living Buddha sent emissaries to
Peking to appeal for Chinese help
in ridding Mongolia of the yoke of the
Reds. Recently, it is claimed, the
Female and Living Buddha worked
out a scheme for the ejection of
the Reds, with the help of a
number of princes and league chief-
tains. They were betrayed, the
active leaders were executed and the
two Buddhas have been impris-
oned, at least, their liberty has
been restricted, and they have been
under surveillance. The Female
Buddha had a large following among
the Mongols, and the Reds are said
to have feared that she would renew
her anti-Bolshevik campaign. To
prevent this, they are said to have
bribed some of the Court attendants
to poison her.

To-day's Poem.

A cannibal was sitting on a green
Pacific Isle.
With the temperature at ninety-
nine degrees.
His dress was rather scanty, in a
truly savage style.
Just a pair of Boston garters
round his knees.
But he didn't seem quite happy, for
every now and then
A groan escaped that tore his
breast in two.
And he shouted in a melancholy,
redemptive tone
This ditty that I now repeat to
you.
"I have eaten hostile tribesmen
With the greatest of urbanity,
I have feasted on the yellow,
black and brown."
But to eat a missionary
Was the acme of insanity.
You can't keep a good man
down.

—ANON.

TYPHOON.

HONGKONG DISASTER.

STEAMER FOUNDERS.

MANY LIVES BELIEVED LOST.

TERRIFIC WIND FORCE.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE ASHORE AND AFLOAT.

After passing through four typhoons this season without suffering serious danger, Hongkong this morning underwent what must rank with its very worst ordeals. Although the damage has not been so great as that in the 1906 disaster it has been serious enough and the actual squall force of the wind has been considerably greater, perhaps the greatest ever recorded in the world. This morning's typhoon resulted in the loss of one steamer stated to be the Indo-China s.s. Ming Sang or the French steamer "Jade" in different sources. The ship foundered after being swept away from her moorings. Many lives were lost, it is believed. One of the Royal Navy submarines—the L 9—got into difficulty near Statue Pier, and went down, the members of the crew being saved by men from the Japanese steamer "Ginyo Maru." No lives were lost. During the worst part of the blow the huge liners "Empress of Australia" and "Andre Lebon" were in grave danger owing to their anchors dragging. Ashore extensive damage was done and it is feared that later reports will bring tidings of serious losses.

STEAMER FOUNDERS.

ALL HANDS LOST.

HOW THE SHIP WAS LOST.

It is known definitely that a ship stated to be the "Jade" has foundered and that a number of lives were lost, the chances being very much against anyone on board reaching the shore.

The ship was first noticed drifting past the Courts of Justice, carried in a westerly direction by the abnormal current running. At this stage her bow was in the air. She almost struck the Stone Pier at the foot of Pottinger Street. A China Mail reporter saw the rest of her movements till she sank in no great depth with only the tops of her red funnel and two masts showing. After passing Pottinger Pier the bow went down and the stern was showing up at some height at an angle of over 45 degrees. In the mist it could be seen that a wire rope was suspended from the stern twist into the water. A number of hands were moving about on the rigging changing their positions as the starboard gradually dipped into water.

Coolies' Heroism.

At this stage the storm was at its height. The few onlookers on shore realised that there was little chance for the men on board when two coolies were noticed crawling along the "Osaka Shosen Kaisha" wharf with a long bamboo hook. They were seen to make a precarious footing right at the end of the pier while onlookers on the pavement could not keep their feet.

Heels Over.

A number of Europeans arrived on the scene. They managed to secure lengths of rope from the ship-chandlers in the neighbourhood and a rescue party started to crawl out to the end of the wharf. Shortly afterwards Sanitary Inspector R. C. Wittich, Senior Revenue Officer George Watt, Revenue Officer Grimmett and others got to the wharf with a life-buoy tied to a length of rope. While they were half way the ship, to the consternation of the would-be rescuers, suddenly lurched over to her starboard and went down. She was last seen lying off the O.S.K. wharf not far from where H.M.S. "Renown" was anchored when the Prince of Wales was here. The members of the crew who were clinging to the rigging for their lives were lost sight of for a moment when they appeared on a broken raft to be carried westward at a speed of about ten knots. The rescue parties ran along the Praya in the hopes of being able to throw a line out but the elements were against their efforts and the men were last seen drifting away beyond Wing Lok Street.

A suggestion was made by experienced men in the vicinity that if life-rafts had been available there might have been a possibility of these lives being saved.

Another Disaster.

SUBMARINE FOUNDERS.

It appears that earlier in the storm, the Japanese ship "Ginyo Maru" had got into difficulties. She was manoeuvred into a position against the Naval Yard and was seen to be moored by her bows to the sea-wall with wire-ropes. The conclusion is that help must have been rendered by the Naval Yard staff and it is certain that she was saved through their efforts.

Another Japanese ship which gave the appearance of being very lightly loaded was the "Seniko Maru" of Fushiki. Somehow she managed to lay up against the east of the Statue Pier where she was tied up after considerable difficulty.

The crew were seen to jump on to the wharf from ropes suspended from the side and the conclusion is that they are safe.

One of the submarines—L9—lying in the Naval Camber lost her mooring and was carried out into the stream. Just off the Hongkong Club, she went down close to the "Ginyo Maru." Eyewitnesses state that two men were rescued by ropes thrown from the Japanese merchantman, accompanied by hearty cheers from a British sloop or gunboat in the vicinity. It has not been ascertained whether the submarine submerged or sank.

Liners in Peril.

DRAGGING THEIR ANCHORS.

The C.P.S. "Empress of Australia" and the French Mail "Andre Lebon," giant liners in their way, were seen drifting westwards dragging their anchors and their plight caused much anxiety to the shipping men assembled on shore. Both of the ships were in other parts of the harbour but they drifted perilously close to the Sunken vessel although they had steam up.

Extensive Damage.

WRECKAGE ALONG PRAYA.

At eleven o'clock the Praya was unrecognisable. Wreckage was lying up to the pavement and debris was being swept along the road. Fortunately the tide during this typhoon was not as high as that in those of the preceding weeks otherwise more damage would have been done. The strength of the wind may be gauged from the sight along the sea-wall where the crests of the waves were black with mud which had been stirred up from the bottom. Kowloon could be seen dimly through the rain and it was impossible to see if other ships were in danger.

Kowloon's Ordeal.

EXTENSIVE DAMAGE.

Kowloon got the full force of the typhoon and suffered accordingly. Along all the roads trees were uprooted and telephone wires blown down, making the roads well-nigh impassable. In some places pedestrians had to wade knee deep through the debris. Pieces of houses were blown into the streets and signboards were hurtling about. Quite a number of people went down to the ferry at Kowloon but most of them were chary of crossing to Hongkong with a chance of being stranded on the island. The ferries, before they stopped, were hard put to when making their final trips, one from Hongkong taking at least half an hour to get alongside, through the wind dashing it against the wharf and knocking pieces of the woodwork off.

Queen's Road.

SCAFFOLDING WRECKED.

This was a scene of topsy-turvydom. Looking at the scaffolding around the A.P.C. building, as it appeared from Wyndham Street, one thought how well the bamboo lashings were holding the structure of poles and planks but on turning into Queen's Road to the left, the sight was almost unbelievable. At the opening to D'Aguiar Street there was a mountainous pile of scaffolding which the wind had hurled up on the Old Supreme Court site. The scaffolding fronting Queen's Road was in the main intact, but in the narrow street or passage which looks on to the new Queen's Theatre, the wind had swept the

mightily fury and demolished the scaffolding almost completely. Here it lay piled high, completely blocking the Road so that it was possible only to make progress by means of the sheltered cover-way which had been made to shelter pedestrians from falling masonry when the building was being demolished. A gnarled trunk of a tree showed through the debris whilst the corner of Yee Sang Fat's building showed signs of damage where, it is said, a standard had fallen against it on its downward way to mother earth. Several rickshaws were shattered, but no lives, fortunately, have been lost. Damage has been done to scaffolding outside the A.P.C. building in Queen's Road, around the statue of Sir Henry May, and in other places.

Small Craft Lost.

CAUGHT IN THE TYPHOON.

When the storm had slightly abated shortly after eleven o'clock many Europeans went on to the Praya to view the damage, and parties from the King's Regiment were sent out.

Wharves, which had already been affected by the typhoons of last month were badly damaged but the Canton Steamboat Co.'s wharf withstood the onslaughts of a large lighter which lay on its windward side.

It is certain that a number of small craft were caught in the storm. A large three-masted junk was trying to make for the Yau-mai shelter at 9 a.m. while at 8 a.m. the motor-boats at Arsenal Street were still tied to the sea-wall.

Record Wind Force.

REMARKABLE BAROMETER READING.

Interviewed by a China Mail reporter at ten o'clock this morning, Mr. T. F. Claxton, Director of the Royal Observatory, said that it was now certain that the typhoon would pass to the south of Hongkong, because the wind North-North-East was veering.

Mr. Claxton said that the squall force of the wind was probably the highest ever recorded in the world.

At 9.40 the force was 123 miles an hour and at 10.13 the velocity had increased to 130 miles an hour. The mean velocity was 80 miles an hour.

The barometer, continued Mr. Claxton, was falling very rapidly and at 10 o'clock it stood at 28.66 the lowest figure ever registered in Hongkong. The rainfall was 1½ inches between midnight and 9.30 this morning.

Other Mishaps.

TRAM CAR WRECKED.

The Alexandra Café had its large plate glass window smashed in. The Hotel Co.'s bus was wrecked at the junction of Canton Road. The difficulty of transportation and getting in touch with the authorities makes it impossible to get at the true facts, but we are informed that a falling tree completely severed one of the tram-cars on which it fell, without, we are glad to say, any loss of life.

The Star Ferry's landing place received some mighty buffettings. It sides were stove in and numerous planks displaced. Verandahs came in for attention, and several collapsed. It was a dangerous proceeding to walk along the Praya but quite a number, including ladies, braved the elements. There was one sad group of watchers numbering about a dozen, sailors, wives, anxiously looking to sea. Men flitted about but there was a feeling of helplessness on all sides. A young Indian policeman was observed carrying a life-belt in a listless half-hearted manner, dawdling by the scaffolding—what there was of it—by the Statue Ferry wharf. The roads bore signs of falling masonry, flower pots, wood, etc. The Canton Steamers are all safe.

Much damage must have been done on shore. It is too early yet for reports to have been sent in but it is known definitely that Wing On's were damaged; havoc being wrought to biscuits, bicycles &c. Telephone lines were either blown down or disconnected in town and sign-boards were lying where rickshaws used to be.

Part of the scaffolding of the old Post Office building has come down being projected right across the street up into D'Aguiar Street completely obstructing the road. Wyndham Street and Gloucester Street are blocked with broken trees and branches, while the roof of a house at the junction of Wyndham and Gloucester Streets was carried away.

Before the order to return to depot was given some of the double-decked trams which were running along the water-front had their roofs covers ripped open.

Now the "Western Market" is a mass of houses in the course of demolition. The hoarding and what was left of the walls are now a complete wreck. At other places in the town where construction work is going on considerable damage was done.

One peculiar aspect of the typhoon was that pillars, buildings &c. on the water-front were charged with electricity. Drenched people who leaned up against them received shocks which they could not understand.

How It Began.

FERRIES STOP RUNNING.

The typhoon which struck Hongkong this morning was the one which began to the south of Guam on August 11. Yesterday afternoon the No. 2 typhoon signal was hoisted and indications last night went to show that Hongkong was in for another wet week-end. It began to rain heavily about mid-night. Yesterday when the sun shone brilliantly (there was a wedding!) it looked as if the spell was about to be broken, but hopes were dampened considerably later on when it became known that another typhoon was on the way. At 6 o'clock last evening the Observatory reported it to be in about Lat 22 N. and Long. 119 E. during the afternoon, moving rather rapidly W.N.W. or W.

Last night all craft made for shelter, and the steamers moored at the wharves left for more favourable quarters. The "Empress of Australia" went out to a buoy in mid stream.

The ferries ran with stripped awnings, an indication that a severe blow was likely to be felt, and early this morning, about 9 o'clock, ceased running.

Lull Before The Storm.

Up till seven o'clock there was—as seen by the layman—no storm hovering near. At eight o'clock the Observatory reported that the typhoon was within thirty miles of Waglan moving westwards. By 9 o'clock the storm had reached typhoon force the black cross superseding the other signals. Shortly afterwards the three guns made their ominous boom.

Hongkong's Worst.

THE GREAT 1906 DISASTER.

Hongkong still speaks with bated breath about the 1906 typhoon which is mentioned every time the signals are hoisted. This typhoon struck the Colony without warning and in less than two hours 10,000 Chinese had been drowned and fifteen Europeans, including the Anglican bishop. Over 2,400 Chinese craft were reported lost 141 European vessels and launches foundered or were badly damaged.

Last Year's Disaster.

SWATOW'S TERRIBLE CATASTROPHE.

The gale began at Swatow about 10 p.m. on August 2, and the centre of the typhoon passed over the port about two o'clock next morning. Godowns, piers, pontoons and other property suffered extensive damage, and half-a-dozen coasting steamers were driven ashore, these including the L.C.S. "Tungshing," the L.C.S. "Choyang," the C.N.S. "Chili" and the C.N.S. "Shantung." Butterfield and Swire's godown was wrecked and the roofs of the Club buildings and the Ursuline Convent were blown away. In the case of the convent the Mother Superior and the nuns had an almost miraculous escape from death. A tidal wave swamped the Bund, and the native city was reduced to a heap of wreckage. When the wave broke with full force on the shore, pontoons, junks and cargo boats were lifted bodily over the bunding, many of them striking the frontal buildings. The ruin was absolutely amazing and nearly all buildings were rendered roofless. Fortunately all the foreign population were eventually found to be safe, but the loss of life amongst the Chinese was enormous, and no fewer than 28,000 dead bodies were afterwards recovered.

In the surrounding districts out of more than 100 churches, chapels and missionary residences, 12 were destroyed and the others more or less damaged. At Goussou, out of 20,000 inhabitants, only half survived, and at Haili three Catholic families were the only survivors from a population of 3,000.

Typhoon Warnings.

HOME PAPER'S INTERESTING COMMENT.

The enormity of the typhoon and tidal wave that wrought such havoc to property and took such heavy toll of life at Swatow on the night of August 2 and 3 last year demonstrates the desirability of giving the longest possible warning of approach says the China Express and Telegraph. It would be infinitely to the advantage of those living on the southern coasts of China and adjacent countries if disasters such as this one, and the one at Hongkong in 1906, could have been foretold. At present the warning conveys the information that a typhoon is coming, and the black signals indicate its imminence, but no information is given as to how severe it is likely to be. The question is, Can it

severity be forecast with dependable accuracy? What follows would seem to show that the answer is in the affirmative. Earthquakes, volcanic eruptions, and similar disturbances have been studied by scientists, and much valuable information has been gained. Only one man has, however, evolved a reliable theory whereby it is possible to foretell these catastrophes—a scientist named Clements.

The moon and the sun especially the former have great influence, he says, on earthquakes, eruption, and storms. As is well known, the moon, by her pull, influences the tides, but under certain conditions her power is enormously increased so much so that the pressure of the atmosphere on the surface of the earth is disturbed and in places so much weakened that the earth forces below the crust are given more freedom, which results in earthquakes and volcanic eruptions if conditions are favourable where the disturbance takes place. Under other conditions, the moon's pull attenuates the atmosphere, and initiates a vacuum, which at once begins to fill. Thus severe storms are caused, and this is probably what happened at Swatow. It should be remembered that the moon exerts her greatest power at an angle of 45 degrees, but this pull is very much increased if the sun is so placed as to be pulling in the same direction.

The first phase of the Swatow typhoon may be said to have started at about 8.30 p.m. At this moment the moon was above the horizon at an angle of 40 degrees to Swatow. The sun had set, and was at an angle of 107 degrees. The angle between the two planets was therefore about 60 degrees so the moon was acting alone. The disastrous phase of the storm began at 2.30 a.m., and lasted till 3.10 a.m. (The times quoted are local mean times). At 2.30 a.m. the moon had set, and bore to Swatow an angle of 45 degrees, and at 3.10 a.m. an angle of 40 degrees. The sun was also below the horizon and in such a position that it could add its pull to that of the moon. The result was an enormous tidal wave and a terrific storm. After 3.10 a.m., the sun and moon drew further away from each other, and consequently their influence weakened and the storm subsided. The positions of the sun and the moon and their bearings on Swatow have been worked out after the event, and proof of the correctness of the theory has been adduced. If however, these factors could be obtained immediately the typhoon was reported, not only could the spot be accurately indicated where the storm would break, but the probable extent of its severity could also be foretold.

What Would Happen.

DIRECTOR OF THE OBSERVATORY EXPLAINS.

The three bombs having been fired this morning denoting that the wind force was expected to increase, it is interesting to recall what Mr. T. F. Claxton, Director of the Royal Observatory, said would happen if a typhoon came to Hongkong.

The passage of the centre of a typhoon over 2 or more adjacent stations affords a means of determining the diameter of the calm area which exists at the centre of a typhoon. If, for instance, at one station (A) the calm lasts for 20 minutes, while at another station (B) 2.4 miles to eastward, the calm lasts 50 minutes and the typhoon is travelling north at the rate of 12 miles an hour, then the diameter of the calm area would be 12 miles. At a third station (C) 9 miles to the east of (A) the calm would last 50 minutes also, but the wind would veer, whereas at A and B it would back, C being on the opposite side of the centre to A and B. The central calm, or eye of the storm as it is called, differs in different typhoons. Its diameter varies from about 7 to 25 miles. Sometimes an almost absolute calm occurs and sometimes light variable winds are prevalent. Sometimes the sky clears completely, sometimes partially, and sometimes the heavy nimbus merely gives way to a veil of thinner cloud. The barometric minimum (which varies from 29ins to 28ins) is said to occur sometimes at the beginning of the calm, sometimes shortly before, and sometimes shortly after; but as the time-scale of the ordinary barograph is usually very contracted and the driving clock an imperfect time-keeper, it is frequently impossible to say within 5, 10, or even 15 minutes, when the minimum pressure occurs. Probably it is within a few minutes of the calm. When the diameter of the calm area is large, and the sky clears, the temperature rises as the centre passes, otherwise there is no perceptible change.

INCREDIBLE VIOLENCE. Typhoons vary considerably in strength. In some the violence of the winds, even 100 miles of the centre begins description; while in others, a vessel may pass actually through the centre without sustaining serious damage.

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TYPHOON.

(Continued from page 4.)

On June 2, 1916, this Observatory was on the edge of the calm centre of a small typhoon, moving N.E. and evidently filling up. The wind, which had been strong to fresh, died away completely between 1 p.m. and 2 p.m. increasing again with fresh squalls from northward, by 4 p.m. No damage was done. In contrast to this may be mentioned the Mauritius typhoon of 1892, April 29, in which 10,000 people were killed. In those days, little was known by the public about typhoons, and the central calm was mistaken for the end of the storm. People therefore opened hurricane shutters and left their houses, some never to return and others to find them in ruins, or blown to another street by the terrific hurricane which followed the central calm.

Even if fully prepared, Hongkong would suffer considerably should the centre of a severe typhoon pass over the Island.

Ancient (and some modern) houses would collapse and probably a certain proportion of the ships in shelter would be blown ashore and their decks swept clean. Many trees would be blown down. The greatest danger to pedestrians would be from tiles and corrugated iron hurtling through the air.

ANOTHER WINNER.

PROGRAMME WORTH FIVE DOLLARS.

The holder of the following theatre programme is requested to forward it to the *China Mail* office when a coupon to the value of \$5 will be issued which may be changed for goods to the same value with any of the advertisers in the *China Mail*.

Coronet Theatre Programme No. 731 issued Wednesday, August 15 to Friday, August 17.

Patrons of the three Cinema Theatres, the Coronet, Star and World are advised to retain their programmes and study the number to be found on the front page.

AFTER THE TYPHOON.

ENJOY SOME PLEASANT SHOPPING.

This may be a weak article for sale, but it is quite good enough for sales. That is, once the actual rain stops. Then, indeed, the sales will be very welcome, for what pleasant pastime could be found than shopping? One might have said what more useful pastime could be found, since the typhoon blow is certain to have taken its usual toll in household breakages. Consequently it is very timely that Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co. should be having their big summer sale now. Shoppers can get everything they want at bargain prices. Even if Messrs. Whiteaway, Laidlaw & Co. were not among the best known firms in the Colony, their display advertisement in this issue gives ample proof the variety, the quality, and the tempting prices their sale offers the shopper. Many prices, it will be seen, have been reduced fifty per cent, and others have been cut even lower. These things speak for themselves, and it is only necessary to add that being the only general sale Messrs. Whiteaway and Laidlaw are having this year, this is the best opportunity for securing their regular stock at sale prices.

SHADOWS BEFORE.

Coming Events Advertised In The Mail.

ENTERTAINMENTS.

August 18.—Coronet Theatre: "Nanook of the North."
August 18.—World Theatre: "White New York Sleeps."
August 18.—Star Theatre: Don G. Merle, the great Society Entertainer and Magician; Earle Williams in "The Silver Car."
August 19.—Star Theatre: "Hunting Big Game in Africa."
August 19.—World Theatre: Bebe Daniels in "Nancy from Nowhere."

PUBLIC AUCTIONS.

August 20.—At P.W.D. Offices, eight lots of Crownland at Stubbs Road, 3 p.m.
August 20.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, an old collection of Postage Stamps (really being broken up), 5.15 p.m.
August 21.—Lammert Bros., at their Sales Rooms, Durdell Street, "The s.s. 'Chekiang' now lying at Shamshui, 3 p.m.

MEETINGS.

August 20.—General meeting of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society at St. John's Cathedral, 5.30 p.m.

TROUBLE COMING.

LATEST SOUTH CHINA DANGER.

OMINOUS PORTENTS.

GRAVE DISORDERS FEARED.

Interviewed by a *China Mail* reporter yesterday afternoon, a leading Chinese Merchant at Pak Kai (the outlet of Kongmoon) predicted grave disorders in the near future.

On the afternoon of his leaving for Hongkong (Thursday) he was privately informed by the River Defence Commissioner that a wireless message had been received to the effect that Yunnanese troops had occupied Shun Tak, the capital of the fertile silk district. Sun's magistrate having been ousted after a coup.

It was stated that the move on Shun Tak and the recent taking over of Heng Shan are part of a plan by the Yunnanese to over-run the province independently of Sun Yat-sen, it being hinted that Northern money and dissatisfaction had wrought havoc with the loyalty of Sun's Yunnan adherents. Our informant gave as his main reason for the dissatisfaction the inability of Sun to fulfil promises of monetary rewards in return for military services. He pointed to the protracted campaign at Waichow as an example of questioned loyalty, the troops there not having tried their best, so it is stated, to take the town.

Kongmoon itself is comparatively quiet the press-gangs are still at work roving in unfortunate men for military coolie work. Last Saturday, 500 of Chu Chenk-man's (the ousted Hengshan magistrate) troops arrived outside Pak Kai. Chu personally interviewed Chan Chak, Sun's commander-in-chief, but permission for the fleeing troops to enter the town was withheld. It is stated that unless Chan Chak absorbs these troops into his corps they will become handis soon as they have no visible means of support. They are at present quartered at Ngai Hoi which is about one mile from Pak Kai.

Uncertainty is felt as to the future as Li Yew-ho, the anti-Sun ex-Civil Governor and General is rumoured to be plotting another rising in the neighbourhood. However, Chan Chak has about twenty small river gunboats which although obsolete will be useful in quelling disorder.

ARMS TRAFFIC.

ANOTHER POLICE SEARCH?

RECENT ARREST SEQUEL.

The vernacular press, this morning contains an account of an alleged search by the police on the premises of the Hong Shing Mercantile Co., Ltd., at No. 6, Queen's Road Central, which they hint is a sequel to the arrest of U Man-ho, the assistant comprador of Messrs. Dodwell and Company, Ltd. The report goes on to say that the police searched a man named Ho Chung-ting but found nothing incriminating. It is also stated that the raid was the result of the documents found on U who has been charged with possession of a Mauser and one revolver. The report concludes with words to the effect that the police had no suspicion about the firm but that the papers related to Ho personally. Ho is stated to be the treasurer of the company.

RENTS DISPUTE.

SUB-LETTING PROFITS.

CASE REHEARD.

Before the Puisse Judge (Mr. Justice Gompertz) in the Summary Court yesterday afternoon, rehearing was granted in the case in which Yuen Yung Yu, the tenant of the first floor of 13A Peel Street, sued his sub-tenant for the sum of \$77 rent in respect of a portion of the floor.

When the case originally came up for hearing the plaintiff was represented by Mr. M. M. Watson, and the defendant by Mr. M. K. Lo. It transpired that the plaintiff was tenant of the whole premises at a monthly rental of \$37 a month, and was charging the defendant \$77 per month for a portion of the premises. Accordingly Mr. Lo asked that the Puisse Judge assess the standard rent of the portion of the floor occupied by the defendant.

At the time His Honour reserved judgment, but subsequently decided in favour of the plaintiff. "On the whole," said His Honour, "I think the plaintiff is right and the standard rent of this portion is the rent at which it was first let, that is, \$77."

For the rehearing the defence briefed counsel, Mr. F. C. Jenkin appearing on their behalf. The point at issue was simply what is the standard rent.

After hearing both Mr. Jenkin and Mr. Watson at considerable length, Mr. Gompertz reserved his decision.

AS YOU LIKE IT.

WEEK-END SHREDS AND PATCHES.

SIGNS.

Now that the Peak Tramway Co. has notified by means of the peaceful sign what its officers must not do, we suggest that the Hongkong Automobile Association should advise its members what is expected of them. Here is a copy of a notice prominently displayed in a Texan City.

"Drive slow, and see our beautiful city."
"Drive fast, and see our beautiful golf."

As statements of fact nicely worded this has the Diplomatic Body beaten to a frazzle. The iron hand in the kid glove!

A book of many BOW-TIE pages could be made of the times when some of us have wished that the earth would open and swallow us up. Here is a good one which has come to our notice. The brother of Stephen Phillips, the poet, is dining with Royalty and has the misfortune to drop his made-up dress into the soup! Truly an appalling event. Mr. Knolson Keraanah who tells the story does not say how the incident ended.

In Rangoon COMMISSION BASIS, when they want any one who has hopped the twilight as they say in refined circles, they offer a reward of five per cent if the total amount stolen or otherwise "taken" is recovered. Failing the recovery of the whole amount, the amount of the reward is nominal. It is all wrong of course. They should add Bank Interest to the amount "borrowed" and add the principal to it, and allow five per cent on that. This is what Canton would call a fifty-fifty basis.

Command Orders IRRITATING. have something very severe to say on the absorbing question of Chic Blinds. Unnecessary damage is being done to them through non-observance in instructions contained in para. 133 Command Standing Orders. Officers Commanding Units are to bring to the notice of all occupants of Married Quarters the instructions contained in the above quoted para. special attention being directed to the last sub-para, the contents of which will in all future cases be enforced. All this is very sad. To maltreat a poor Chic Blind is the most cruellest form of torture we have ever come across. A poor wee little lonesome Chic Blind. And what is a Chic Blind? Is it one of those things you pull down in the bedroom before or, you begin to take off, or, your gloves? Please enlighten us, someone. And also tell us quietly what para. 133 Command Standing Orders is, and also the last sub-para. The only para. we know of is the one in that exhausting hymn: O Paradise, O Paradise.

This, from an English ADVICE editorial, strikes a responsive chord: If an editor's post-bag is anything to go by, the one calling which the ordinary citizen thinks he understands without knowing anything at all about it, is that of a journalist, the one enterprise which he thinks he can run without any training or experience at all is a newspaper. It is, indeed, a very singular fact that so many well-behaved Britons who would not dream of offering gratuitous advice to an archbishop or even to a railway manager, deem it a public duty to advise editors on all possible occasions in great detail, and with considerable acerbity, of the lines on which their newspapers ought to be conducted.

I don't know anything about an editor's post-bag, but the conversations of newspaper "experts" that I overhear in the train are eloquent of the possibilities of that mysterious receptacle. The man whose ignorance of the subject touches the most sublime heights, the man who couldn't distinguish a quoin from a split infinitive, or a galley from an unrelated participle, is invariably the most vocal and the most oracular.

Continuing our research BEDS. on the History of Beds, we learn that bedsteads were first made of bamboo, but it has since been found that bamboo

is more adaptable to putting a fish to sleep than a human being. In rural districts corn husks were formerly used to stuff mattresses. They were all right when you first went to bed, but after an hour or so, the husks seemed to turn to cobs. By morning you probably had corns on your spine. Great strides have been made in mattress manufacture. Nowadays you can almost buy one with a guarantee of eight-hours' sleep or your money back. This is known as getting down to bed-rock.

Lady (buying gooseberries at a stall): "These gooseberries don't look very clean."

Salesman: "Well, what do you expect a bloke to do? Wash 'em and comb their hair for three pence a pound?"

The Chenub in POETRY, sending these examples pleads not guilty. He says he found 'em.

Mary had a little lamb, His fleece was white as snow. She took it to Pittsburgh one day, And now look at the poor dam thing.

and

On mules we find two legs behind, And two we find before; We stand behind before we find What the two behind be for.

They have been saying things in Charleville, which is down under, meaning Australia. And saying 'em hard too. Pleasure-loving Charlevilleans (villains sounds right under the circumstances) seem to prefer a circus to a church. A circus came to the place and stayed there three days and departed with £950. The Sunday following the church collections for the day were £1,110 nearly all in three penny-pieces. It is a matter of taste as the lady said when she kissed the bovine.

No cases of notifiable disease appear in the Medical officer of Health's returns for August 15. During the 24 hours ending August 16, one case of enteric fever was reported. The patient is a Japanese.

Dr. Sir James Cantlie who knows Hongkong, has a word of pity for the "poor young men" who stay up late at night to provide partners for the young women who dearly love to foot it. The dear things sleep their self sought fatigue into oblivion, but the "poor young men" grow haggard and grey before their time. In spite of Dr. Cantlie's name indicating that he can't lie, we fail to see where the pity comes in. Footing it has its own peculiar benefits. See the "poor young men" footing their bills at the end of the month and later on in life footing the bedroom floor with teething infants. Between Romance and Reality, as between chalk and cheese, there is a vast difference. Dancing is good—unquestionably. We know of several who have died dancing—at the end of a rope!

(1) A Chinese who had one Mauser pistol and some ammunition delivered them up at the Central Police Station.

(2) A "Boy" came to his master and handed him the month's squeeze from the compradores' bill.

(3) All compradores have decided to reduce their prices.

Presiding at a luncheon to Capt. Larking, who has completed forty years' service with the Early Closing Association, Mr. Winston Churchill paid eloquent tribute to the work of the organisation and to the single-mindedness and whole-hearted resolution, courage, and patience with which Captain Larking had pursued his task.

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11th Sunday after Trinity.

Holy Communion (8 a.m.).

Children's Service (10 a.m.).

Hymns: 341, 343, 506.

Matins (11 a.m.).

Responses: Ferial; Venite: No. 23.

(Luther) Psalms: 135, 136; To Domine.

Woodward, Smith, Carlo; Benedicite: No. 11 (Attwood); Anthems: "Sun of My Soul" (Turner); Hymns: 341, 343, 506.

Holy Communion (11 noon).

Evangelium (9 p.m.).

Responses: Ferial; Psalm: 45 (Woodward, Carlo); Magnificat: No. 12 (Webb) Nunc Dimittis: No. 6 Lloyd; Hymns: 341, 343, 506.

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Sunday, 19th August.

Morning at 11 o'clock.

Hymns: 135, 136, 515, 112.

Psalm: 135; Anthem: "When my heart is overwhelmed."

Evening at 6 o'clock.

Hymns: 315, 458, 608, 332.

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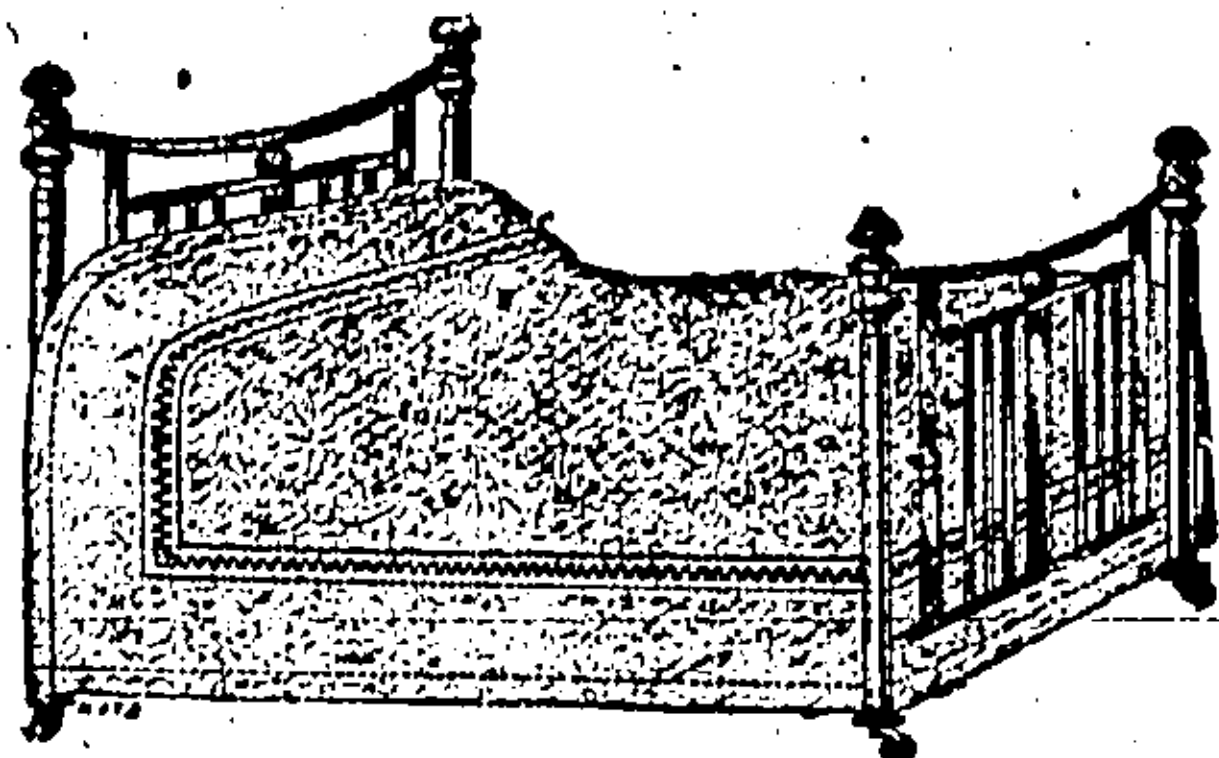
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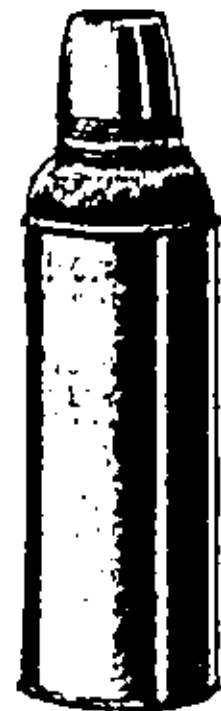
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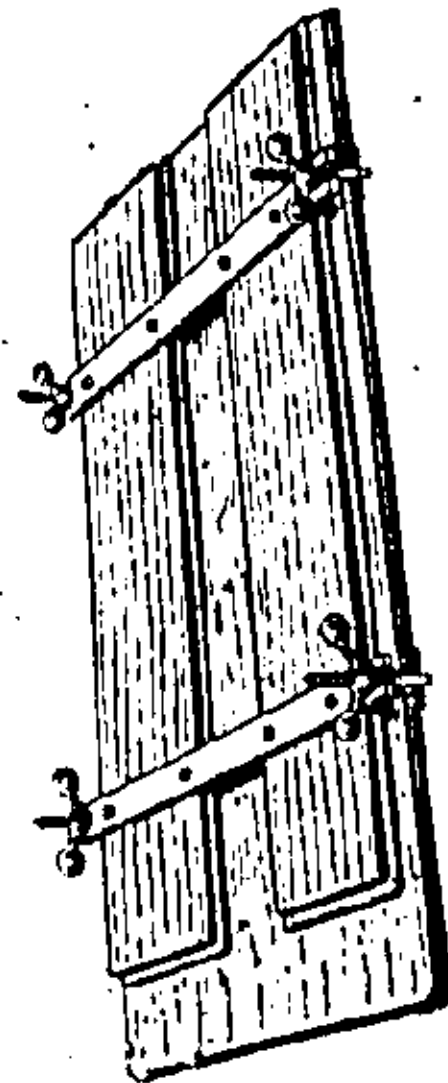


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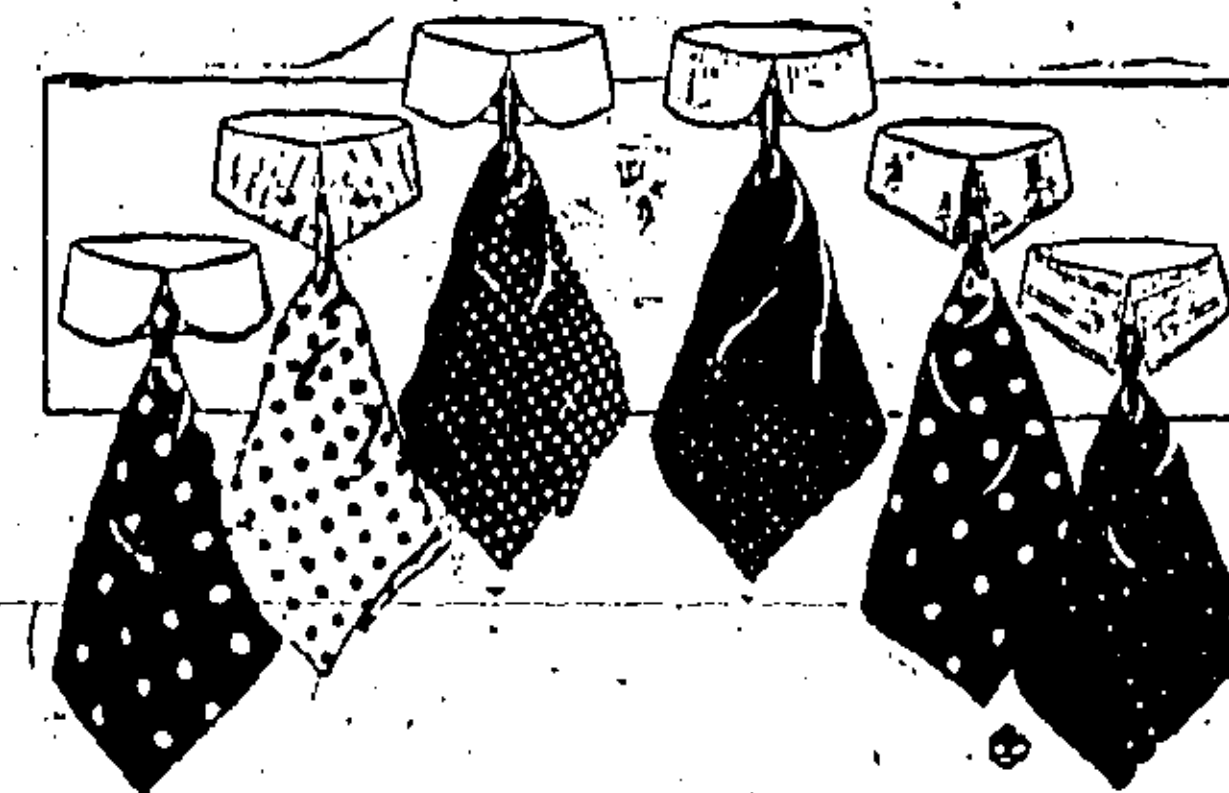
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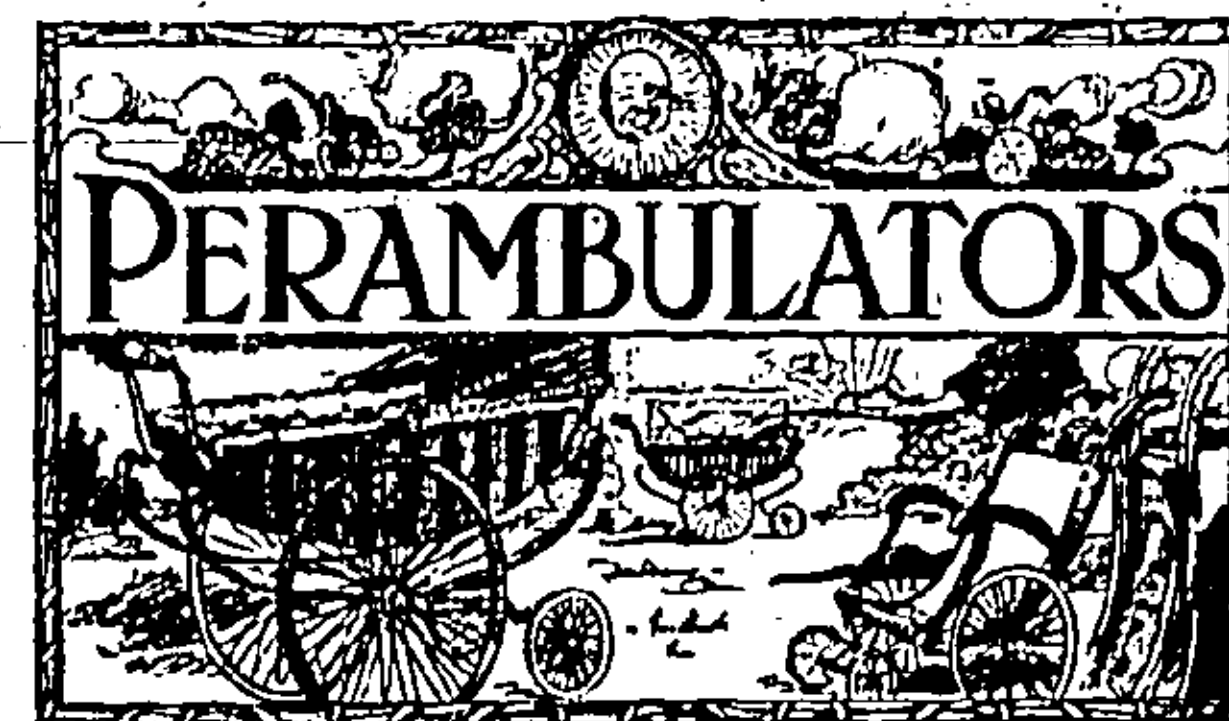


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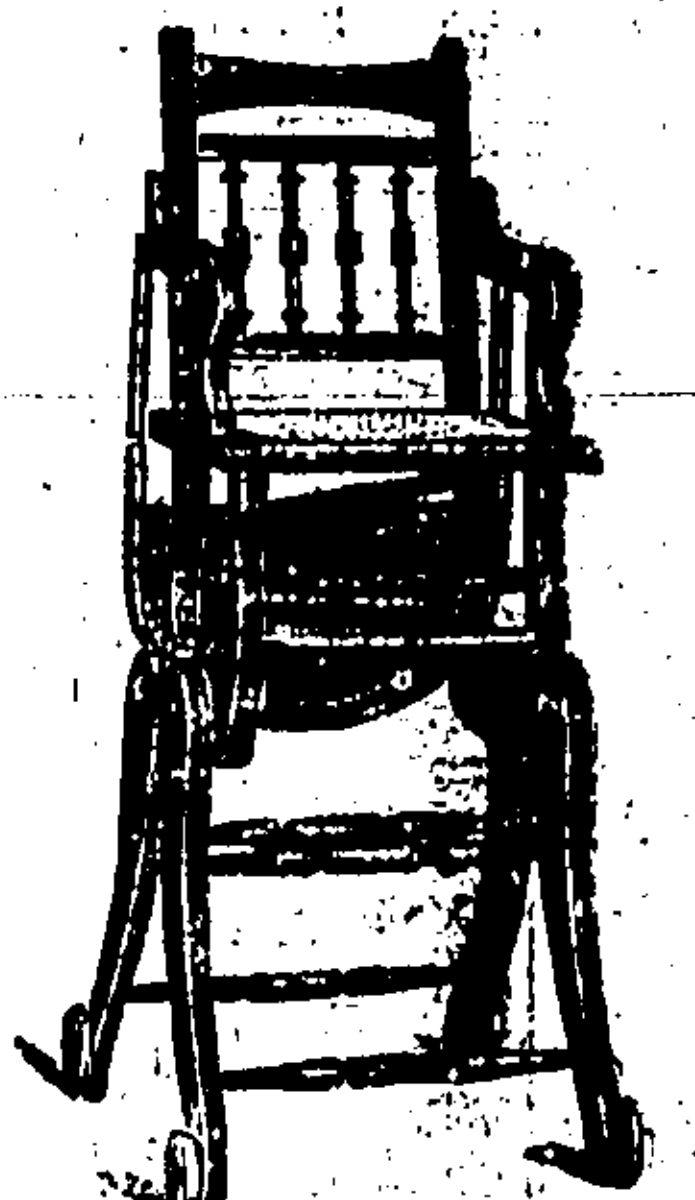
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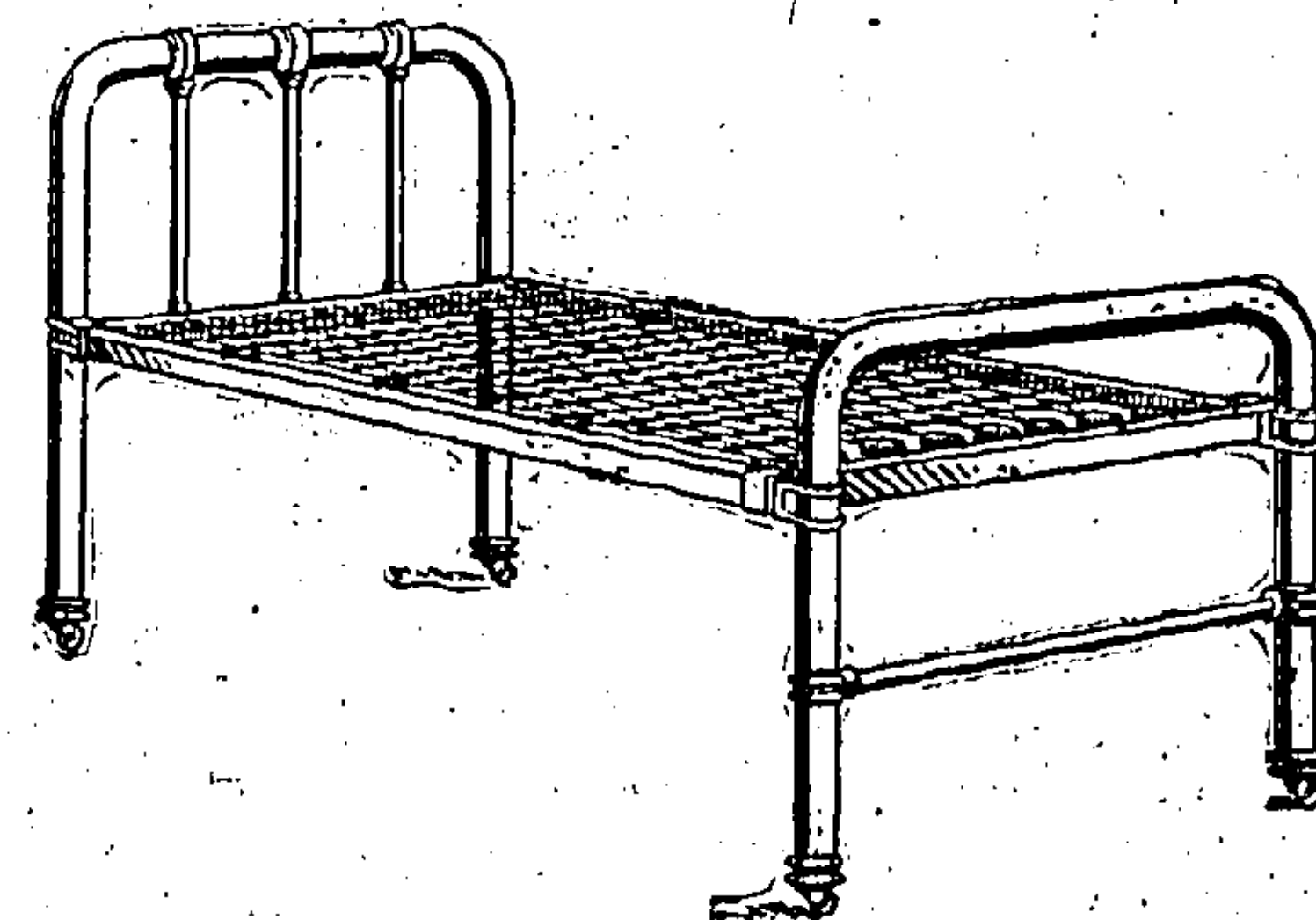
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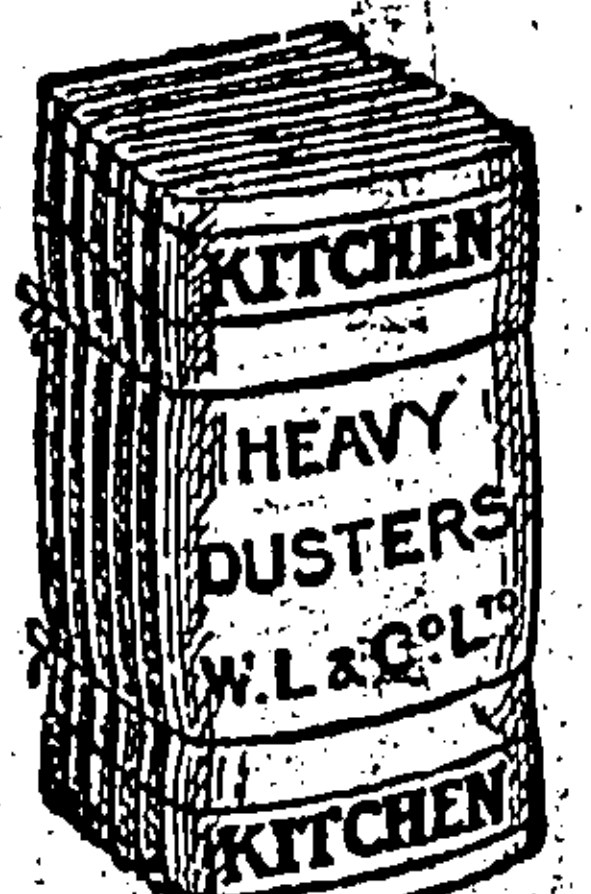
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IF YOU WERE A MOVIE KING.

WHAT FILMS WOULD YOU MAKE?

SOME THOUGHTS ABOUT "NANOOK OF THE NORTH."

Suppose you were a movie director, what kind of picture would you find most pleasure in making? The question is a vasty intriguing. Perhaps some Hongkong entrepreneur—maybe Mr. Hay—will yet put it to the vote, assured that the answers and the reasons therefor will make engrossing reading. Meanwhile the question is more than intriguing; it is for the great cinema public, vitally important. For it is to be assumed—unless one wishes to split hairs—that the picture which would give the movie patron the most interest to make will also give him the most interest to see. And like every other trader in this world the cinema man must "provide the goods"—or get out. These reflections are prompted by a private view which a *China Mail* man was privileged to have of the new film "Nanook of the North" which the popular Coronet Theatre screens from to-day. It was entering the screening room, with an open mind, that our man asked himself the question: "Suppose I were—dizzy prospect—a movie king, what pictures should I most like taking?" And it was after seeing "Nanook of the North" that he said: "Real life films. Every time!" Here you have no mere

fictitious events—the story ingeniously retouched and the setting cleverly faked. Here you have no artificial appeal, but realism, actual life itself—quaint, novel, amazing; the more amazing indeed because, with all its wonders, it is really, actually true. And what is more, real life in one of the world's most fascinating regions—the Far North. There is magic in those three words, magic which has fired the mind of every adventure-loving soul since early explorers first brought back their wondrous tales. This magic "Nanook of the North" has caught. And therein lies its manifold appeal. Filmed by a noted explorer, Mr. R. G. Flaherty, F.R.G.S., who took his camera where none had ever been taken before, "Nanook of the North" leads the beholder into the frozen wilds where mere existence is a continual fight against the cruellest forces of nature—snow-storms, icebergs and blizzards. Amid settings of surpassing splendour, it gives intimate glimpses of the only life known to the Eskimo. Nanook is the great hunter and it is his stirring adventures—notably those with strange Arctic animals—which form the main theme. Here you must not be misled. This is not merely an educational film, though it teaches much. It is actual fact. Life in one word. And being life it has all life's manifold interest—grave and gay, sad and exciting. Also comical. Indeed one might better have said *especially* comical. You will see!

ENGLISH FILM GOSSIP.

LATEST FROM LONDON.

"THIS FREEDOM" FILMED.

(By Stephanie Stanford.)

All that could possibly be said has been said concerning Mr. A. S. M. Hutchinson's novel, "The Freedom," and its many irritating views have been so abundantly criticised that very little can be commented upon when it comes to the film presentation of the book. This has just taken place at the New Oxford Theatre, before a large audience

comprising many well-known people, some of whom are famous actors.

Clearly, the film must be good, since the same sense of irritation creeps over one as it does when reading the book. The story has been closely followed, and it also follows the play, which, although well done, was not a great success. I am inclined to think the film will have a much better reception, certainly in some parts of the country. In considering a film of this nature from the box office point of view, it has to be taken into account that there is a vast number of people who have not read the book, and to whom the broad outlines of the story will appeal. They will not have regard for the ineptitude of its trend. To them Rosalie will be a type—not an exaggeration, an exception—and since it is human nature to be grateful for other people's failings they will rejoice in the poor thing she makes of life. This is not to imply that a film audience is less cultivated than the reading public, but it would be idle to lose sight of the fact that any entertainment which sets out to decri the modern woman has a very good opportunity of succeeding with those for whom she is a desirable target.

MISS FAY COMPTON'S TRIUMPH.

Upon Miss Fay Compton, has fallen the task of portraying Rosalie through the years which lie between 17 and 40. Once more she is able to impress one with her good emotional acting. She says, in a published note concerning her part in the film, that she is not altogether in sympathy with the character of Rosalie, and that she found difficulty in visualising her. Coupled with this, it is really interesting to note how much finer she is as the womanly, disillusioned Rosalie than as Rosalie, the ambitious bank expert. She then convincingly drives home the only real truth in Mr. Hutchinson's book—that life is very hard for all women, whether they be just modern or whether they be handicapped from the start by that wretched, inflexible type of former home life in which the males were considered as pre-eminent and women as of no account. She has brought the woman's touch to Mr. Hutchinson's own character, and made her a little more real.

Mr. Olive Brook, as Harry Odeleva, Rosalie's husband, has not a great part. I missed the whimsicality that the author puts into this character, but on the other hand I must say that I think Olive

Brooks makes him rather more of a man. There are two other people who are greatly to be congratulated. One is Denison Clift, the producer for the Ideal Company, who has achieved wonders with the film, and the other is little Banty Fosse, whose interpretation of six-year-old Rosalie, imbibing her idea of the world by reason of her man-ridden home, is remarkable.

THE PUBLIC WILL ALSO BE MUCH

indebted to the three felices—who double the roles of Rosalie's cat-like men.

COMING SCOTCH FILMS.

It is curious how there are what may be termed county fashions in films. At one moment every film must be taken Sussex, a few months later Devonshire lanes bring a sparkle to the eyes of the picture-goer, and then Cornwall comes in for her share. The only regret I have is that very frequently the spirit of the country in which the filming takes place is not accurately caught. A certain artificiality is superimposed, and one loses the smack say, for instance, of Somerset—the rolling prosperity of Devon, the semi-wilderness left in Cornwall by its strange, long-ago history of wrecked Spaniards, smugglers, and fishermen. However, it is only fair not to be too critical upon these points, for the films bring so many pleasant illusions to strain-weary townspeople that any picture of the countryside is welcome. Just at present there is a pronounced demand for Scotch films—perhaps the Royal wedding has a little to do with this new interest, or it may be due to the success of "Rob Roy." In any event, this summer the life of the past Burns and that of Highland Mary are to be filmed in Scotland. The scenario has been written by that well-known authoress, Alicia Ramsey. "Bonnie Prince Charlie" is in active preparation, and I believe it is only a question of some suitable weather, for certain scenes, to complete the whole of this film.

A SECOND WORLD FLIGHT

CONTEMPLATED.
Captain Geoffrey Madins, that surprising young airman with the boyishly tired face, is to lecture upon "Blazing the Airway to India," from April 23 onwards, at two important cinema theatres. Captain Madins, it will be remembered, came on a very crash in the Bay of Bengal before the world flight was completed. However, it is to be continued as soon as new machines are constructed and the supply boat "Frontiersman" has established the dumps of food and necessities with-

out which the airman could not expect to win through. The "Frontiersman" will shortly be in the Thames, and will take up the "Quest's" old moorings in St. Catherine's Docks. Meanwhile, before the lecturing and ultimately his new flight, Captain Madins is kept busy signing innumerable autographs, rediscovering Chelsea, where he happily fed in its cafes, and answering hundreds of questions from his admirers.

"THE CHRISTIAN."

A huge cross of light has risen in the vicinity of Piccadilly. It is the sign of "The Christian," which is being shown at the London Pavilion, and to which I hastened with the rest of film-going London. Richard Dix certainly scores a triumph with his interpretation of the fanatic John Storm, and as an example of super film production by night the picture easily beats all records.

It is nearly a year ago since men and women, hastening home in evening dress, came upon Trafalgar-square flooded with giant are lights and overwhelmed by a seething mob. Ten camera men were then engaged in taking the scenes of the hysteria-swept crowd awaiting the doom of the world as told in Hall Caine's story. A staff of 100 electricians and assistant producers were controlling the army-like mass of people, which was directed under steadily falling rain by instructions issued through the deafening medium of a Klaxon horn. It was said at the time that the rain would help the picture, as a weary, miserable crowd was wanted. The picture justifies this prediction.

The emotional atmosphere of the story is very well maintained. The Gloria Quayle of Mae Busch has some very hard work put into it, which is what is needed to present vividly a complex character of the kind. The presentation of the film will, no doubt, have a very large following at the London Pavilion.

THE BEETLE COMEDY.

The realm of human affairs having been thoroughly explored and exploited, film producers are turning to the insect world for new politics and domesticities. Mr. Nigel Playfair is producing an insect play, and has engaged A. Bromley Davenport to enact the part of a papa beetle. I believe he is to be a very naughty beetle, who neglects the 'bomo ties to make a pie. After all, new themes are troublesome to find.

SCREEN CELEBRITIES.

Seldom given, but greatly deserved, are credits to William de Mille for the stars and leading players of the screen to-day who owe much of their success to him. When big producers and directors are being praised for having aided many a struggling artist to higher things, de Mille's name is seldom mentioned. However, it is because he is entirely too quiet and unobtrusive to seek spotlight.

But a search into the back records show that more than one prominent film player must thank de Mille. Lois Wilson, for example, was Mille's Wilson, for example, was little heard of until she attracted wide and favourable comment in "The Lost Romance," "Miss Lulu

Bett," and "Midsummer Madness," all William de Mille Paramount productions. Thomas Meighan added immeasurably to his fame under de Mille's direction in "The Prince Chap" and "Conrad in Quest of His Youth." In "Midsummer Madness" and "The Lost Romance" Jack Holt won laurels which elevated him to the point of stardom.

To-day William de Mille is still the same quiet, unobtrusive director—always making good pictures, always bringing to light good actors and actresses. In his current Paramount production, "Spring Magic," adapted by Clara Beranger from Edward Knoblock's play, "The Faun," his cast features Agnes Ayres and Jack Holt supported by Charles de Roch, Robert Agnew and Mary Astor.



Mrs. James V. Converse

Mrs. James Vail Converse, daughter of Harry Hays Morgan America's Consul General at Brussels, and twin sister of Mrs. Reginald C. Vanderbilt, has given a new turn to the society woman entering the movies by heading her own film company, in which she will take the leading roles. Mrs. Converse, a recent divorcee, will call the company the Thelma Morgan Pictures, Incorporated.

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Commander Holmes of the Royal Squad:
"A damn fine chap was he. The ship he had was the pride each had. Would fight for on the sea."

Said Sam: "My men are restless when they're cooped-up over here. 'Twas Holmes' reply: "My men mean 'die' from heat here every year."

"We go to sea with rule three tonight three."
Said the Yankee with a wink:
"The 'gains' the rules which were made for fools."

What say you to a drink?
"All right 'Old Tom' I don't mind a drop."
What's more I think 'tis right:
"This spell we'd break if our men may take."

"Their joint shore leave to-night."
"Agreed!" Said Sam, with a belated start.
And Holmes' reply: "My men mean 'die' from heat here every year."

The Hongkong Force take a natural course.
And Holmes' reply: "My men mean 'die' from heat here every year."

When Yanks and Linnies beach.
For days and days in the tropical days.
The Sun beat in the Court:
While Captain Sam as much as a haud.

And Holmes the same old sort:
Would beat their men with gravity when.
The Court of British Isles:
Had fined both ships for broken lips.

But black eyes brought them smiles.
Now summer's gone and they've moved along.
Both ships are far away:
Up where I'll tell 'tis cold as Hell in Vladivostok Bay.

With their fighting men who scrap now and then.
To find the better one:
But orders with them 'is orders' and then—
Each hard day's work is done.

The shake's the thing, when they leave the ring.
A rule that means fair play:
So they fight and sing with a belated fling.
The Anglo-Saxon way.

—JOHN KYOTO.

The output of coal from the Kailan Administration's mines for the week ending August 4 amounted to 94,086 tons. The sales during the period amounted to 76,600 tons.

HONGKONG TRADE.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE REPORT.

The fortnightly report issued by the Hongkong General Chamber of Commerce states:

Cotton Piece Goods and Fancy Cotton Goods.—During the interval our market has been quiet and apart from some sales of low Dyed Sat-geens no transactions of importance are reported. Staples are entirely neglected. In addition to the political chaos excessive floods have further retarded business.

Cotton Yarn.—Owing to fresh troubles at Wuchow the demand from that quarter fell off considerably. Yunnan has taken small quantities at current rates. There is no enquiry from other consuming districts. Prices ruled barely steady and dealers are confining purchases to immediate requirements only.

Quotations:—No. 10s. \$161/190, No. 12s. \$172/200, No. 16s. \$195/205, No. 20s. \$182/201. Arrivals 3,100 bales. Shipments 250. Sales 1,000 bales. Unsold stock 13,000 bales. Bargains 6,000 bales.

Woolens.—The market is quiet. Small orders for suitings have been booked.

Raw Cottons.—No sales to report and prices are unchanged.

Metals.—Prices have improved somewhat but are still below replacing cost. Not much doing but some sales in Tin-plates reported.

Flour Market Report.—Stock estimated at 250,000 sacks. Market steady.

Quotations:—American Patent, \$3.70 per sack; American Straight, \$3.60 per sack; American Cut-off, \$2.95; Shanghai Flour, \$3.05 per sack; Australian No. 1, \$3.00 per sack.

Sundries.—Sales very few. Market quiet.

Philippines Sugar.—Market declining.

Salt-petre.—Fairly steady with continued demands and hopeful future.

THE STAR.

"HUNTING BIG GAME IN AFRICA."

"Hunting Big Game in Africa," the famous wild animal film taken during a two and a half year tour through the Dark Continent, is being shown over the week-end at the Star Theatre, Kowloon. This production ran at the Coronet for a week, drawing record houses the first few nights. It proved one of the finest films ever screened in the Colony. H. A. and Sidney Snow, the two intrepid explorers faced constant danger to secure this production. During their stay in Africa they succeeded in filming practically every variety of wild animal the jungles and plains hold—and some of the "close-ups" obtained are wonderful examples of skill and daring. "Hunting Big Game in Africa" is Nature on the screen. It is educating, interesting, thrilling and amazing.

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LOOTED TOWN.

IRISH PRIESTS ESCAPE DISGUISED.

NATIVE HOUSE REFUGE.

HANKOW, August 7.

It transpires that the two priests escaped from Tsooshih in the darkness dressed in Chinese clothes. They took refuge in a native house where they remained unmolested.

Altogether 200 people were taken captive. It is believed that the bandits are still in the neighbourhood.—*Reuter.*

OUR LITERARY LOBBY!

LOCAL GOSSIP FOR BOOKY PEOPLE.

English writers are well up in the lists of books most in demand in America. For August, the author of *Elizabeth and her German Garden*, a little book we can heartily recommend, was second on the list in fiction with *The Enchanted April*, whilst Hugh Walpole was third with *The Cathedral*. Philip Gibbs is ninth with *The Middle of the Road*. In the General list H. G. Wells is fifth with his memorable *The Outline of History*. J. Arthur Thomson is ninth with *The Outline of Science*. The first on this list is Giovanni Papini's *Life of Christ* which is now a world-wide vogue. We think the foregoing displays a discriminating taste on the part of American readers. Catalogues of book bargains and second hand books or reminders afford us a great deal of interest. Very often an author's position may be correctly assessed by the monetary value placed upon his books. Not always of course. Here in one catalogue Chesterton's *Engines and other evils* is valued at 2/8 whilst a book of Max Beer's *John's* cartoons originally published at 2/6 is offered at 7/6.

Stephen Leacock's latest contains some excellent foaling in his well-known vein. Here is an extract dealing with a visit to a cinema parlour of "Dead Men's Gold." "A film of the great Nevada Desert, in which Red-Blooded, Abbe-Baded Men and Women a hundred per cent. American, live and love among the cactus and chaparral. Something of the Ozone of the Cow Pasture mingled with the Glom of the Great Canyons blows all through this play." The story of the film moves swiftly with graphic subtleties and breathless groups of dots to the last subtitle: "And so these twin souls join hands forth to walk life's pathway hand in hand next week Matt and Jeff among the moonbeams don't miss it."

According to Andrew Ladoski who has written a book on *Human* women in general have six cardinal vices: (1) Duplicity and an indifference to truth; (2) Lack of taste; (3) Vulgarly; (4) Love of petty power; (5) Vanity; and (6) Sensuality. These vices are carefully analysed in the book. We do not think it will interfere with the marriage rate. Some men won't be told. According to H. L. Mencken, "Bachelors know more about women than married men. If they didn't they'd be married too." The Duckworth's are issuing *Hilary Belloc's Collected Poems* at 10/6, with a limited edition at 21/- net. There are collected all the verses which Mr. Belloc wishes to preserve, with certain exceptions. We are against these collections during the life of the author. Belloc is by no means written out and it is more than likely we shall have something from his pen worthy a place in any collected edition that may be made.

Novelists are known to travel the world in search of colour. One has just left for Asia, Africa and America. The best part of this method seems to be that it must be a long time before they can write some more novels. Philip Guellula's *My Masters and Men* has been called "an expressionist rather than an impressionist. That's a neat and very truthful description. J. C. Squire says of Stephen Reynolds whose book of letters we recently mentioned that Reynolds used often to come to Fleet Street garbed in the uniform of his adopted profession—a fisherman. He would haul one across the street and then, in his enthusiasm, without reference to what might be one's opinion about a purely marine diet, drag one off to an All Fish Restaurant, where, with diverse courses of lobster, Jake, mackerel, halibut, and prawns, he would at once satisfy his appetite and promote the interests of the industry. "Delightful." *Thoughts on South Africa* by Olive Schreiner has been issued by Fisher Unwin at 21/-.

—PICKWICK.

HOW IT IS DONE.

MAKE ACCELERATION TESTS.

[SPECIALLY CONTRIBUTED.]

In view of the Motor and Motor-Cycle trials next week it would not be out of place to offer a few remarks on the subject of acceleration and the methods of judging the tests.

An acceleration test is a test of a machine's ability to reach its maximum speed from a standing start. If a machine has good acceleration it will reach this maximum speed in a very short distance. Therefore a true acceleration test should be over a short distance. If the distance decided upon is too short, no one is penalised, for all have an equal chance of acceleration. But if the distance is too long, over a large portion of the distance the test ceases to be one of acceleration and becomes one of maximum speed. A distance of 75 yards to 100 yards is an ample distance for acceleration pure and simple, and any distance over that becomes a speed test.

The greatest difficulty with the short test is the timing. Where the times are likely to be about 6 to 7 seconds, only one fifth of a second may mean a big difference in the figure of merit in the test. The method of timing with flags is an aggravation of the difficulty. It is impossible for the best timekeepers to be accurate to even a fifth of a second when flags are used. In one test it was found that although two separate timekeepers were employed, in several cases their times differed by as much as two-fifths of a second. Using the usual formula, a difference between 6.15 seconds and 6.25 seconds on a machine of the average 4.14 H.P. say 500 C.C. weighing with rider about 400 lbs. would mean nearly two stone difference in weight. In other words, a man unfortunately penalized by having only 1/5 second error-added to his time, would be penalized as much as if he had to carry nearly two stone more weight.

Short of using stop watches graded to 1/10 second or less or else electrical timing, the timing must remain the chance affair it is at present. But even the formula is not as fair as it could be made, and if the timing must be suffered, should not some attempt be made to adjust the formula?

The usual formula is C.C. X Time (squared)

Weight

In an acceleration test the most important factor is the weight which has to be set in motion, and under this formula, it is the heavy machine, the combination in particular, which is penalized. In a recent trial in England there were two crack riders competing, Bert Kershaw on a 249 C.C. New Imperial Sola machine, and F. W. Giles on an A. J. S. 800 C.C. Combination. There can be little difference in the merit of riding of these two experts, and yet their figure of merit showed a difference of 13.76 points of almost 46%. There can be no doubt that a fair formula would show but little difference in the performance of these two men when their times were so close:—6.25 seconds solo and 6.45 seconds sidecar.

"Can" in an article in an English Motor Journal, suggests the following improvements in the formula to be used. Taking these details he has worked a number of experimental calculations:—Solo machine 249 C.C. Time 6.25 seconds weight 341 lbs. Figure of merit 29.91.

Sidecar machine 800 C.C. Time 6.45 seconds weight 847 lbs. Figure of merit 43.67.

Difference 46%.

In the first place there is an improvement if the time be not squared $249 \times 6.25 = 4.67$ Figure

of merit $800 \times 6.45 = 6.42$ Figure

of merit. The sidecar being 37% behind the solo. This is not much improvement on the original. If the weight is squared as well as the time, this favours the sidecar too much. The solo being approximately 41% behind the sidecar. Taking another method, if the square root of the capacity be taken, the formula becomes C.C. X T.

W.

The square root to the nearest place of decimals of 249 C.C. is 15.8, and that of 800 C.C. is 28.3. In this formula the numerator is smaller than the denominator and should be divided into it, the largest quotient to be the winning figure. Using this formula, the sidecar has an advantage of 23.4%, the smallest difference obtained so far, but the calculation becomes somewhat complicated and altogether too clumsy for use on trials.

Squaring the time obviously multiplies any original errors there may have been in the timing, and should be avoided if possible. Taking the square root of the capacity favours the sidecar too much, so a solution appears to be, to take the root of the capacity,

MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL.

LIBEL SEQUEL.

A settlement was announced of libel actions brought by Mr. Winston Churchill against the Associated Newspapers, Ltd., proprietors of the London Evening News, and the Victoria House Printing Co., Ltd., printers and publishers of the Daily Herald.

The action arose out of summaries of the evidence in the report of the Committee of Public Accounts on Mr. Churchill's visit to Egypt when he was Colonial Secretary in the Coalition Government.

It was announced that both papers agreed to repeat in court apologies and withdrawals already published and to pay Mr. Churchill's costs in the action.

Sir Hugh Fraser, for Mr. Churchill, said *The Evening News* summary published on January 12, 1923, made it appear that Mr. Churchill had in six weeks, without any official sanction, spent upon a party of only seven persons £4,340, and that out of this the taxpayers' money—£100 had vanished in entertainments. The truth was that this £4,340 was spent not on seven persons but upon about 77, the seven who left England being joined in Cairo by 70 others who had come to a conference there as the representatives of the principal parties in the Middle East.

The £100 for entertainments was spent not on entertainments for the Secretary of State but on entertainments given to official guests. Before Mr. Churchill left England the Treasury had sanctioned an expenditure of double this amount for this purpose.

MISLEADING BLUE-BOOK.

The articles in *The Evening News* and the *Daily Herald* were based upon a hasty reading of the proceedings of the Public Accounts Committee published in a Blue-Book. An appendix which set forth the facts as to Mr. Churchill's Egyptian mission was overlooked.

The *Daily Herald* article contained the same charges but in more detail and in rather stronger form. Mr. H. M. Given, for the Associated Newspapers, Ltd., repeated the apology, and said that in justice both to Mr. Churchill and the *Evening News* he wished to observe that the forms in which the Blue-book was published was extremely liable to mislead. It contained the questions and answers, and in small type there was a reference to Appendix 12 which contained the facts and removed any impression which might be created by the words in the body of the book.

Mr. Justice McCardie: The result of the proceedings is that the character of Mr. Winston Churchill has been completely vindicated. I am glad that the defendants in each case have apologised so clearly and so handsomely. The record in both cases will be withdrawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Winston Churchill were present in court during the proceedings.

multiply it by a certain figure and add it to the original capacity. If the formula under discussion be C.C. + 25 C.C. X T.

written thus

Weight.
 $249 + 395 \times 6.25$

the calculation 1 1 gives a figure of merit of 120.868 for the solo, and the calculation $800 + 707 \frac{1}{2} \times 6.45$

1 1 gives a figure of merit 847

merit to the sidecar of 121.027. Thus the difference is only .159 or 1.15%. A figure so minute that no rider could ask for a fairer calculation.

To be absolutely fair this formula should be used for a short distance, say 75 to 100 yards and on a slight rise, say 1 in 15 or 20.

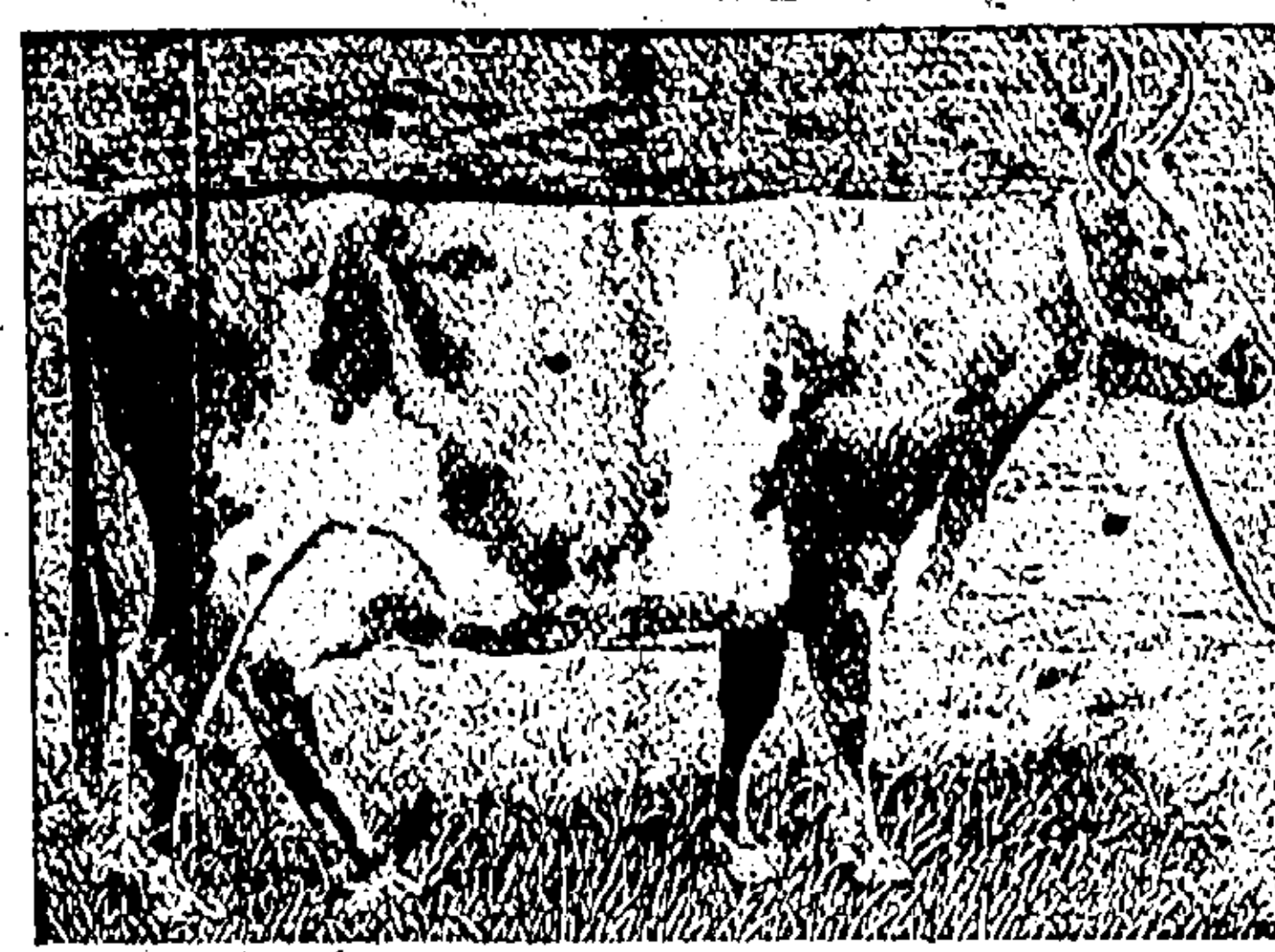
The formula perhaps looks more complicated than the usual one, but it really is quite simple. All that is necessary is to prepare a table of square roots (or they often can be purchased) and of course the multiplication by 25 is no difficulty. If anything the absence of necessity to square the time simplifies the calculation, and has advantage pointed out above of not magnifying timing errors.

It is too late to ask the Automobile Club to use the formula for the present trials, but it would be interesting if they would try it out on a future occasion and attempt to remove some of the obvious unfairness of the present formula.

Another point in acceleration is the possibility of riders "Snaking" or steering a zigzag course to get a greater distance for their speed to develop. This has not been forbidden in the present trial but it is to be hoped the possibility of its occurrence has not been overlooked.

C. J. ROE.

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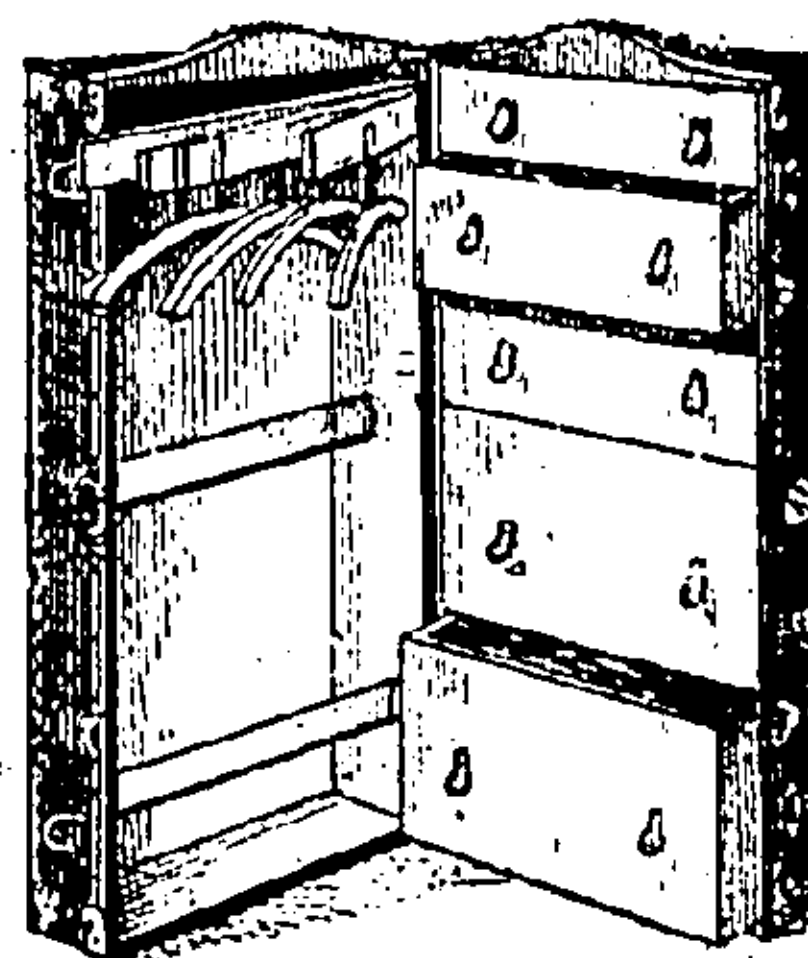
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FICTION.

(By William Rose Benet.)

She has missed little of beauty in the parts of the world under her observation, but over the writing of this book is also "a serpent twist of shadow."

Already Miss Benson has revealed to us power in depicting a small boy with most disenchanted, peculiarities. She did that with the "Serpidal boy" in "This Is the End," and here she does it with Stone Ponting. In both cases we close the book with a strange hankering for the boy, for certain boy

Yet we heartily agree with the London *Spectator*, a journal that found "The Poor Man," "rich from many points of view." That we consider it no mean achievement in fiction is witnessed by the attention we have paid it and the way in which it has aroused us. It is a book intensely alive in every fibre. The pursuit of the intensely feminine female by the fundamentally useless male has always been Miss Benson's favourite theme. She is one of the shrewdest of her sex and her shrewdness lies for vehicle for a pronounced literary style. Her manner of writing reminds one of the motto of the City of Chicago. This manner we like and we perceive in her a sometimes unearnably sympathetic sensitiveness for the tragedies of human nature, a certainty though it be by the flouting of humors of her defiance. Her touch on her material is always the touch of the artist. If we have frankly admitted here a purely human emotional reaction conditioned by our sex—if we regard her point of view in respect to the two sexes with puzzled eyes (she says indirectly that there are three and that the third sex is of those who pity)—why, we also frankly admit the fact that we have read everywhere of this her latest novel with absorbed interest, and that she is one of a very few in our own private pantheon of modern writers.

DUBLIN, May 30.

"The door was unchained; the guard questioned me and toyed, rather too carelessly, I thought, with his revolver. In a couple of minutes I was upstairs, looking at the books on the peel's twelve, surprised at a Balzac and puzzled by a Flaubert. Mr. Zerk came in and apologized for the books and the pale, bare walls. "All my rare and valuable books are in the country," he said, "together with my pictures." "I thought," I thought it safer to keep

Caelte tossing his burning hair
 And Niamh calling Away, come
 away!
 Empty your heart of its mortal
 dream.
 The winds awaken, the leaves
 whirl round,
 Our cheeks are pale, our hair is
 unbound
 Our breasts are heaving, our eyes
 are a-gleam,
 Our arms are waving, our lips are
 apart,
 And if any gaze on our rushing
 band,
 We come between him and the
 deed of his hand,
 We come between him and the
 hope of his heart,
 The host is rushing 'twixt night
 and day,
 And where is there hope or deed
 as fair?
 Caelte tossing his burning hair
 And Niamh calling Away, come
 away.

We left the house, and I walked down toward the Senate with him. Yo finished by discussing the political future. He said there was a little cause for optimism. And indeed, those who looked ahead found everything favourable. Yo found the future of the country optimistic view. He mentioned the lack of experience in the Government, but he hoped that in a few years' time the type of man present in the Senate—the man with some sort of a stake in the country—would be representing people in the Dail. Saying which he stopped, bent down, unlaced his shoes, took it off, stooped and stoned out it, and said "Good-by, Poet-parliaments, indeed! You know, does the saying?—'Ho m his prophets poets.'"

— V. S. I.

FIGARO: THE LIFE OF
BEAUMARCHAIS.

But if we say that Beaumarchais was a scoundrel in business affairs and insincere in his social intercourse, he must admit that he was an artist in his literary work. And this is because he wrote his comedies for his own pleasure. Like Locke, he found relaxation in intellectual efforts. Where with most men writing is a business and love-making a pleasure, with him the opposite was true. And because he writing he had only to satisfy his own standards his comedies live yet while in those fields where he sought public approbation he is forgotten. He wrote because he loved to and because this was the most effective way of ridiculing his enemies. He certainly did not know that while ridiculing them he was paving the way for that great conflagration which was to sweep them all away. Neither did the nobles and the influential ones of that day feel that the very Pigeon they were hearing ridicule them was a symbol which a short time later would lead them to the embrace of Mademoiselle la Guillotine. It came even he doubted whether Beaumarchais himself knew what he was doing. Later, when he was old and the revolution had come, he was persecuted and even forced to emigrate. *Lcs Jacobins* were not

The book is wholly adequate gives a picture of the man, practically unlimited gifts, struggling under a tyrannical Government. And although the man strong, the struggle is so difficult that at last when freedom comes man is wholly worn out. If he been younger he might have been a Jacobin; as it was, he shrunk died.

—N. ASON

"ATLANTIDE"

FAMOUS NOVEL FILMED.

by a special process known only to the priests of Atlantis, and adding them to a decorative collection as loaves tokened by the gods. A special librarian is kept to catalogue the husband mummies. Life in Atlantis has all the joys of modern civilisation, including such things as the "Vogue" from America, and books from everywhere, allied with a wonderful immortality of existence of pleasure and culture. Both men are told that they will love the queen, that they will be loved in return, and that all desires to run away will last until death. Captain Morhange is summoned first. "As the librarian caustical remarks: "The queen seems to respect military rank." But so far from taking advantage of his good fortune, the monk only asks to be allowed to speak to his friend. The queen cannot forgive such an insult, having bewitched the most susceptible. Lieutenant, she orders him to kill his Captain with a silver hammer. That the revenge may

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Queen Isabella of Spain, who was

DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS, JR.

Douglas Fairbanks, Jr. was given an enthusiastic greeting at Los Angeles by a troop of Boy Scouts and by his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Sullivan, and other relatives, including his aunt, Mrs. John Fairbanks, and daughter, Margaret Fairbanks.

Jackie Lee was present to extend the greetings of the Paramount Players. Young Fairbanks is soon to begin work in his first role in the movie for this organization.

When Douglas, Jr. stepped from the train he was greeted with cheers and carried on the shoulders of the scouts to his relatives. The troupe was led by T. B. De Groot.

Lumber salvaged from the huge movie set at Guadalupe, Cal., is to be used to restore the ancient Guadalupe church used by gold seekers in 1849. Arrangements for

The other week Mr. De Mille at a large part of the company left for Balboa, California, to make pictures of the Children of Israel on the side of the Red Sea after the miraculous opening of the waves and the engulfing of the hosts of Pharaoh. These scenes were followed by others at Anaheim Landing, where a large number of chariots used in the production of the "Ten Commandments" were put into the sea again to illustrate the scene where Pharaoh and his hosts were stopped by the pillar of fire from their further advance on the Children of Israel.

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Pole-Norris has changed her

Edward Horton is to head the cast of James Cruze's Paramount film version of Harry Leon Wilson's story, "Ruggles of Red Cap." Ernest Torrence will have the role of "Cousin Egbert." This will be Mr. Torrence's third character role for Paramount, his other two having been in "The Covered Wagon" and "The Trail of the Lonesome Pine." Lois Wilson has the part of "Klondyke Kate," and other natured players are Fritz Ridgeway, Charles Oglesby and Louis Dresser. Others in the cast are William Austin, Anna Lehr, Frank Elliot, Thomas Holding, Kall Pasha, Sidney Bracey, Milt Brown and Marjorie Bauer.

The screen adaptation of the story has been made by Anthony Colclaway.

Nevertheless, all of them appeared to be irresistibly attracted by anything connected with the British peerage, Army, and Navy, a predilection which; as a rule, enmeshed them in endless difficulties! Thus in a drama dealing with English life which I saw experimentally run through, peers (and peeresses) were depicted attending a "Levee" in their robes and coronets while in an Indian war scene which followed, a High Regiment had been provided with snuff! But even these glaring mistakes were eclipsed by the ignorance of a "prince" with whom I travelled one day on the train to San Francisco and who had been engrossed in the pages of "David Copperfield." Finally he laid the volume down with the remark: "Say, Cap! I like to dramatize this book! Can you give me that guy Dickens' address in England?"

The Sheik, in the film, grabbed the victim

Later on, when the movie was over
And Sadie was walking by
home,
With deserts dissolving and Arctics
revolving
In dizzying whirls through
dome,
A bank clerk tipped Sadie the g
boys,
Attempting her progress to sto
"Say, hop it!" snapped Sad
"You cad, I'm a lady,
Go on or I'll yell for a cop!"

—BARON IRELAND

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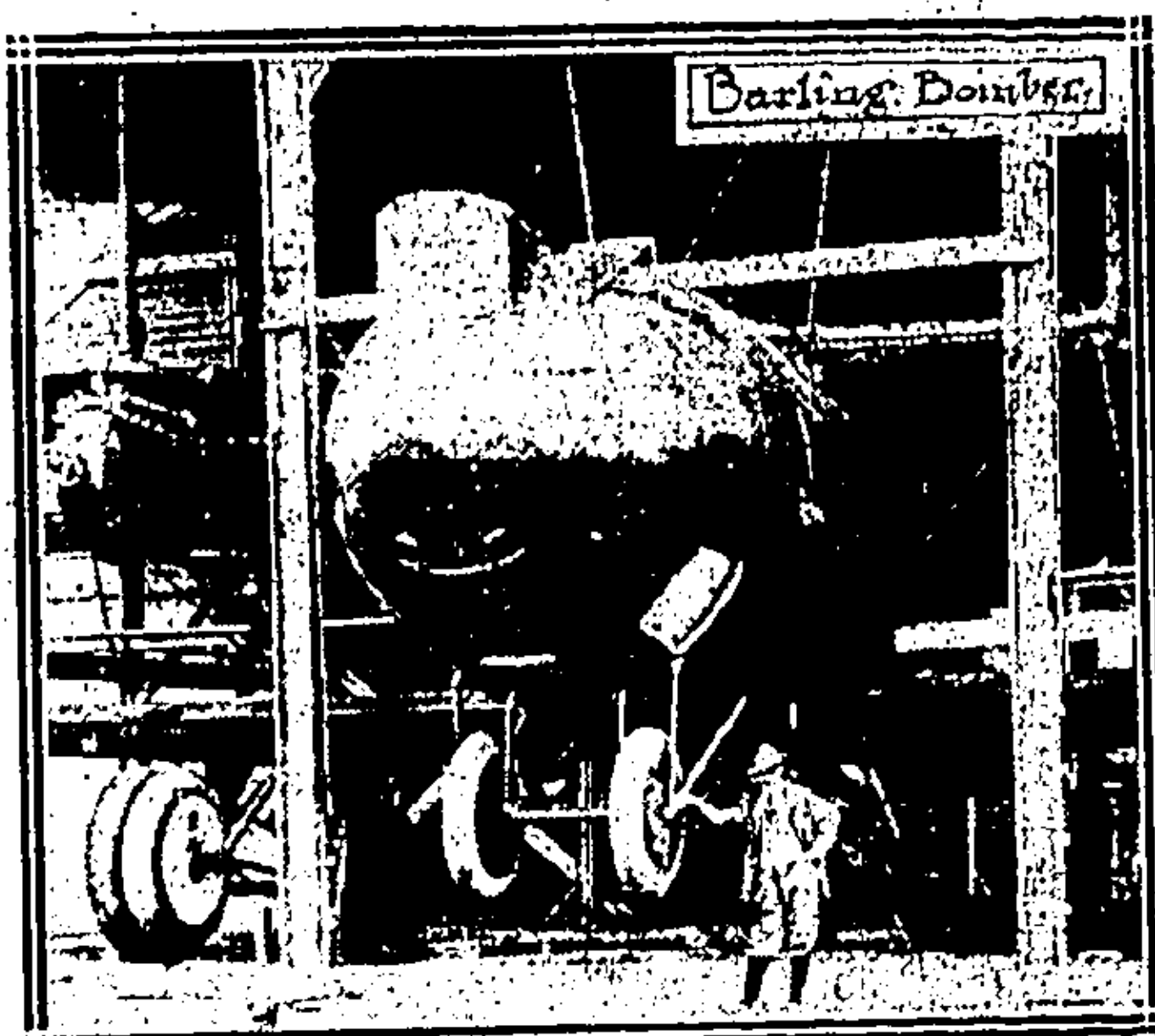


Mrs. Loweenthal, wife.

Above is shown Mrs. Loweenthal, whose father is known as "The Prince of Pearl Merchants," of Paris, where she is hailed as the prettiest society woman in the French capital. She is pictured in the costume she wore at the great Grand Prix Ball.



Despite the terrible pain he suffered from an infected knee, Dow Welling, 21-year-old Westsaler, stroked the "huskies" of the University of Washington eight to an impressive victory in the intercollegiate rowing regatta on the Hudson River. The Navy was second and Columbia third.



This is a front of the largest aeroplane in the world, signed for by Walter Baring and just completed at Wilbur Wright Field. The aeroplane weighs 42,000 pounds, has 2,500 horsepower in its six Liberty motors and carries six tons of gasoline.



Congressman Dyer.

Congressman Dyer, wet leader in Congress, will lead a determined effort in the next Congress to modify the Volstead act to admit of the sale of light wines and beer.



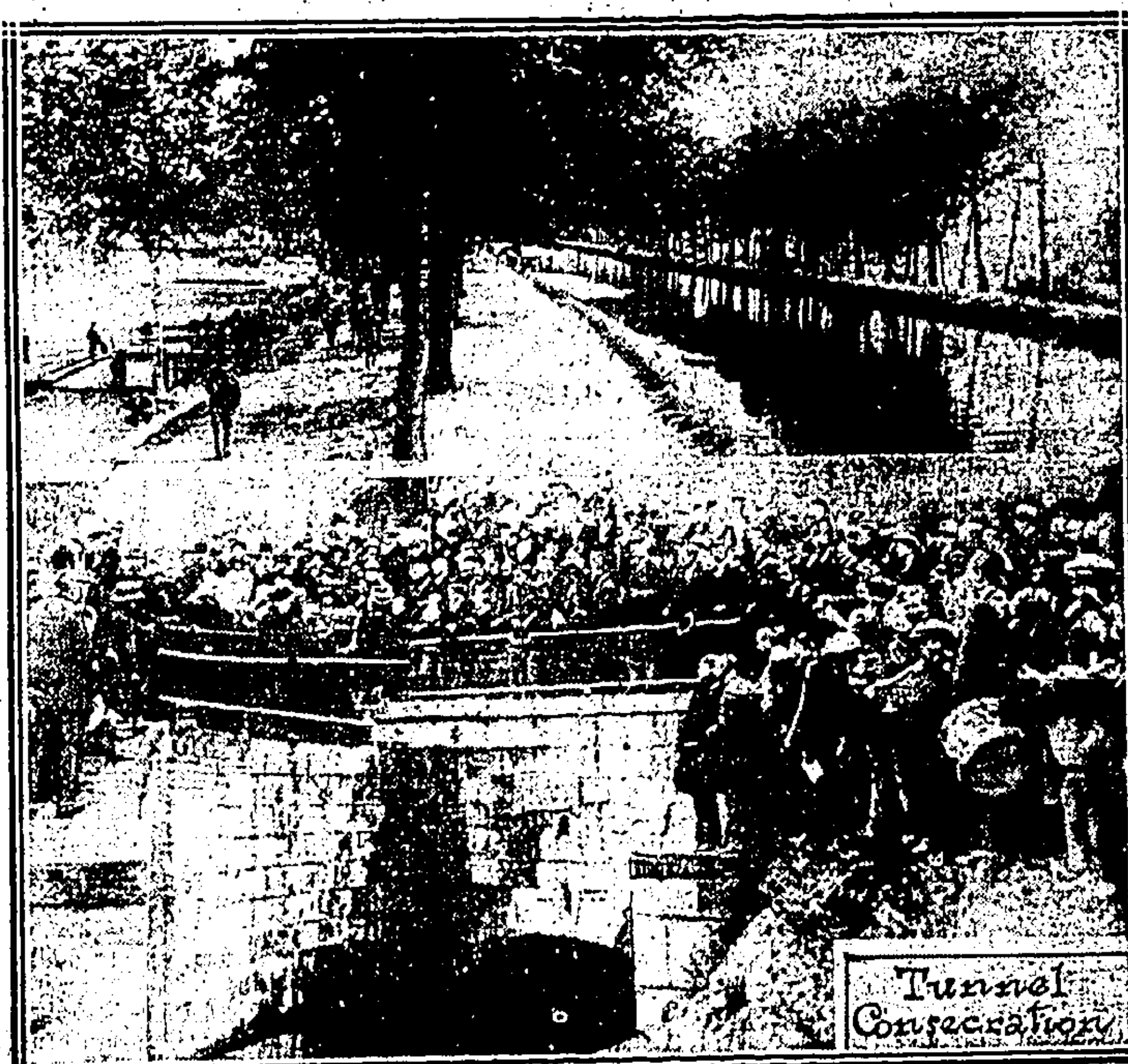
Lady Phyllis King, wife.

This is the latest photograph of Lady Phyllis King, daughter of Earl Lovelace, one of the few eligibles left in England who is considered, according to custom, to be a fitting mate for the Prince of Wales. And, unlike many of her predecessors for the honour, Lady Phyllis seems to be taken seriously by the Prince, who is showing her marked attention.



Mrs. Anna Buzzi, wife.

Mrs. Anna Buzzi, is the first murderess to be convicted of first degree murder for several years. There was no recommendation to mercy, and she was formally sentenced on July 9 to die in the electric chair. She was convicted of murdering Frederick Schelder, wealthy contractor, with whom she had lived for eight years, but who, the State alleged, was preparing to leave her to return to his wife.



These photographs of the subterranean tunnel through which many Belgian soldiers fled into Holland, later to join the Allies, were taken at the official consecration. One photograph shows a section of the tunnel by which the fleeing Belgians passed underneath a canal and thus evaded the highly charged wires erected by the Dutch to protect their neutrality, while the cross on the other shows the exit of the tunnel at Neeroteren, Belgium.



Mrs. Frances Klopfer, daughter of David Block, President of the United Cigar Stores, who was divorced from her husband a year ago, has filed suit, alleging that her son, David, now five, who was awarded to the father, is not in proper hands. She asks his custody.

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EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

Special Service to the China Mail.

BANDIT RAID.

HONGKONG, August 17.
It is reported that the priests, who were dressed in Chinese clothes, slipped away in the darkness and took refuge in a native house, where they remained unmolested. Two hundred have been taken captive by the bandits, who, it is believed are still in the neighbourhood.

THE LINGCHENG NOTE.

PEKING, August 17.
An acknowledgment of the Lingcheng Note was sent by the Chinese Foreign Office to the Diplomatic Body on Thursday. Dr. Wellington Koo, replying to questions by correspondents to-day, said the Government would do their utmost to expedite a reply. Chang Hu has returned to Peking and assumes his post to-morrow.

SINGAPORE NAVAL BASE.

LONDON, August 16.
In a leading article commenting on the announcement that the naval port at Trincomalee is being re-established as an oil supply station for the Singapore fleet, the *Manchester Guardian* says: "If a battleship squadron is based on Singapore, looking east, west, and south, it is likely enough that an oil supply base will need to be provided in Ceylon; but if this is so, it confirms the view that the Singapore project is a bigger thing and will be much more expensive than we yet realise. Therefore, we should know more about subsidiary bases like Trincomalee. For example, how many there will be, and what are to be their functions and cost?"

BRITAIN AND RUSSIA.

MOSCOW, August 16.
The party of British traders, headed by Mr. J. J. Baldwin, Chairman of the British Traders' Association, have arrived. The party includes representatives of Baldwin, Williams, Dunn and Brothers, Crossley's, and Nohel's.

U.S. PRESIDENCY.

WASHINGTON, August 16.
Mr. Coolidge has been appointed as his secretary Mr. C. Bascom Sloop, a native of Virginia, who has been a member of the House of Representatives for fourteen years. The choice is regarded as tantamount to a declaration that Mr. Coolidge will be a candidate for the Presidential nomination of 1924, and has thus taken the first step to round up the Southern delegates.

RUMOUR DENIED.

LONDON, August 16.
A startling report which has been current in New York and Paris, to the effect that Herr Stresemann, the new German Chancellor, had been assassinated, has been denied in a message from Berlin.

COST OF LIVING.

LONDON, August 16.
The Ministry of Labour Gazette reports that on August 1 prices and cost of living prices were seventy-one per cent. above pre-war rates, equivalent to a two per cent. rise above rates ruling on July 1.

TIN PLATE MARKET.

LONDON, August 16.
Confirmation of the rumour that certain works had received an order for 20,000 tons of tin-plates, equivalent to 400,000 boxes, from the Nippon Oil Company of Japan, have produced an optimistic tone in the Welsh tin-plate market. The order came as a surprise, as the Japanese market was practically captured by America during war-time. It is understood that the Japanese order is for delivery over September and October, and will be shared between a number of works which specialise in making oil sizes.

GERMAN REPARATIONS.

PARIS, August 15.
The French reply to the British Note is not expected before the beginning of the week.

SCOTTISH FOOTBALL.

LONDON, August 16.
The match between Partick and Clydebank resulted in a draw—one all.

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FROM BANGKOK.
Aug. 30.—S. A. Bintaung.
FROM MANILA.
Aug. 19.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.
FROM JAVA.
Aug. 21.—C. J. L. Tji Boet.
FROM SINGAPORE.
Aug. 19.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.

FROM CALCUTTA.
Aug. 27.—E. L. T. d. d.
FROM SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.
Aug. 27.—C. A. S. Victoria.
Oct. 8.—E. & A. St. Albans.
Nov. 8.—E. & A. Eastern.
Dec. 10.—E. & A. Arafura.

FROM VANCOUVER.
Aug. 23.—B. F. Achilles.
Sept. 19.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Oct. 3.—B. F. Tyndareus.
Nov. 27.—B. F. Achilles.
Dec. 13.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Jan. 10.—B. F. Tyndareus.

FROM PORTLAND.
Sept. 4.—U.S.S.B. West Keat.
11.—U.S.S.B. Hannawa.

FROM LOS ANGELES AND SAN FRANCISCO.
Aug. 31.—U.S.S.B. West Chopaka.
Sept. 21.—U.S.S.B. West Carmona.

FROM SEATTLE.
Aug. 23.—B. F. Achilles.
24.—A. O. L. Pres. Jefferson.
25.—B. F. Philoctetes.
27.—A. O. L. Pres. Grant.
28.—C. F. S. Empress of Asia.
Sept. 12.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Oct. 3.—B. F. Tyndareus.
Nov. 22.—B. F. Achilles.
Dec. 13.—B. F. Philoctetes.
Jan. 10.—B. F. Tyndareus.

FROM EUROPEAN PORTS.
Aug. 19.—B. F. Leonodon.
20.—E. A. Olcenburg.
21.—J. C. L. Kertoono.
Sept. 8.—R. L. Benledi.
10.—E. A. Havelland.
20.—J. C. L. Clile.

FROM LONDON.
Aug. 25.—P. & O. Martius.
26.—P. & O. Sicilia.
27.—P. & O. Kalyan.
28.—P. & O. Gienoglin.
29.—P. & O. Molloro.
30.—P. & O. Sogdan.
Oct. 6.—P. & O. Carnatthenshire.
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FROM LIVERPOOL.
Aug. 24.—B. F. Achilles.
25.—B. F. Philoctetes.
26.—B. F. Tyndareus.
27.—B. F. Achilles.
28.—B. F. Philoctetes.
29.—B. F. Tyndareus.
30.—B. F. Achilles.
31.—B. F. Philoctetes.

FROM HAMBURG.
Aug. 27.—N. Y. H. Liverpool Maru.
Sept. 7.—R. L. Ozel Legion.
FROM OORPENHAGEN.
Aug. 31.—E. A. Java.
Sept. 10.—E. A. Afrika.
Oct. 10.—E. A. Chile.

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The zero of the table corresponds with
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To obtain the depth of water on the
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August 14 to 20, 1928.

Time	High Water		Low Water	
	Standard Time	Height in Feet	Standard Time	Height in Feet
Mon.	11 10	7.7	5 40	5.5
Tue.	12 10	8.2	6 40	5.8
Wed.	13 10	8.7	7 40	6.1
Thurs.	14 10	9.2	8 40	6.4
Fri.	15 10	9.7	9 40	6.7
Sat.	16 10	10.2	10 40	7.0
Sun.	17 10	10.7	11 40	7.3
Mon.	18 10	11.2	12 40	7.6
Tue.	19 10	11.7	1 40	7.9
Wed.	20 10	12.2	2 40	8.2
Thurs.	21 10	12.7	3 40	8.5
Fri.	22 10	13.2	4 40	8.8
Sat.	23 10	13.7	5 40	9.1
Sun.	24 10	14.2	6 40	9.4
Mon.	25 10	14.7	7 40	9.7
Tue.	26 10	15.2	8 40	10.0
Wed.	27 10	15.7	9 40	10.3
Thurs.	28 10	16.2	10 40	10.6
Fri.	29 10	16.7	11 40	10.9
Sat.	30 10	17.2	12 40	11.2
Sun.	31 10	17.7	1 40	11.5

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Waterlevels in English Feet at 8 a.m.

Place of Observation	Height of Water	Height of Low Water	Height of High Water
Wanchow West River	+ 7.50	- 2.42	-
Kowloon West River	+ 14.70	- 0.80	-
Kowloon North River	+ 27.00	- 0.25	-
Shamshui North River	+ 37.50	- 0.60	-
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